

# The Hickman Courier

## Newtown School Tragedy

### Could it happen here?

Dennis Richardson

What caused a young man to shoot his own mother then take guns from her home, jump into her car and shoot his way into an elementary school and continue his shooting spree, killing students and faculty, and in short anyone who he could get in his sights?

Adam Lanza, age 20, then turned the gun on himself and took his own life.

The shootings happened about 9:30 a.m. Friday morning at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, CT, a small town 60 miles from New York City, a town many newscasters called "idyllic". It is a picturesque community with a population of just under 30,000.

The principal of the school, Dawn Hochsprung, age 47, was gunned down when she reportedly heard the shots, ran toward the classrooms where they were being fired, and lunged at Lanza. She was hired at the school in 2010 and was a mother and step-mother to five girls.

Sandy Hook school had taken strict precautions to protect its students. Doors were locked and



surveillance cameras had been installed. Students, faculty and family apparently thought they were protected against such a horrific event as this.

Could it happen here?


Fulton County Schools Superintendent Dennis Bledsoe talked about the school system's safety procedures following the aftermath of the school shooting. "While there is no indication that this is anything but an isolated incident far away from the Fulton County School District we do want to take this opportunity to remind all of our families that we conduct regular drills, including those for a building lockdown, and that we have secure doors at the main entrance to each school with a buzzer and camera system to view and speak to those entering our schools," he said. "All visitors to our schools must enter and sign in with the school office. Other exterior doors to the buildings remain locked at all times and only staff can access those doors." (See Supt.

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**A WONDER TO BE HOLD** - The Preschool Choir at West Hickman Baptist Church performed before the presentation of "Christmas Shoe Tree" on Sunday night. Two of the wiseman were Tristan Freeman (left) and Schaeffer Sipes (right) with angel Chloe McClure (center). The program will be presented again in the gymnasium of Fulton County Elementary/Middle School on Thursday, Dec. 20 at 7 p.m. (See more photos throughout the paper.) (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

**THIS WEEK**



**OBITUARIES**

Mrs. Mattie Cheirs

Janice A. Jones

**RIVER STAGE FORECASTS**

OHIO RIVER AT CAIRO, ILL.

Wednesday, Dec. 19 – 23.8

Thursday, Dec. 20 – 21.7

Friday, Dec. 21 – 20.0

Saturday, Dec. 22 – 19.5

Sunday, Dec. 23 – 20.2

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**Local Weather**

Thu 12/20 54/30

Windy with times of sun and clouds.

Fri 12/21 48/31

Sunshine. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the low 30s.

Sat 12/22 55/31

Abundant sunshine. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the low 30s.

Sun 12/23 51/30

Plenty of sun. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the low 30s.

Mon 12/24 49/37

Mostly Cloudy. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the upper 30s.

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## Pierce is a KY-TN All-Star

Charlotte Smith

**Editor**

Damontrell Pierce, a senior at Fulton County High School, and a three-year starter for the Pilots football team was recently named to the Kentucky-Tennessee All-Star Team. Pierce, known for his speed and ability to break loose on kick off returns, finished his career with 24 touchdowns on kick offs with seven of them coming during the 2012 football season.



**BORDER BOWL BOUND** - Fulton County's Damontrell Pierce (left) pictured with Pilot Football Head Coach Deatrik Kinney has been invited to play in the Border Bowl as a member of the Kentucky-Tennessee All-Star team in January. (Photo by Barbara Atwill.)

## Yandal asks Commission to "unite"

Commissioner Barbara Yandal will officially leave her post of December 31. On Monday evening, Dec. 10 she took an opportunity to address the board at the beginning of her last regular meeting expressing her thoughts and commenting on the future. The following is what she had to say:

"To the Mayor, Board of Commissioners and the voters of the City of Hickman,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing me to represent you for the last two and 1/2 terms as your City Commissioner.

When I returned here in the late 80s, it was a choice that I made because I thought that I could make a difference to the city that I had left in the 60s when life was lived in a very different way.

It seems as if I moved on and some of the people moved on but some things have remained the same. Our city has declined in

population and not only that but it seems as if the pride of living in a small, caring, community has stalled and is at a standstill. Lack of employment due to loss of businesses, and the aging population has taken its tools, and the ones that should be using each and every tool available to them to help our city alive and viable have decided that less is better.

We, the elected officials need to unite and come together as a team. It's important that we be able to agree to disagree, sit down and share ideals and work together for the people that put us in office or we will continue to descend as a city. Not all changes are bad but when there are those who tend to shoot down every ideal that is brought to the table without so much as a discussion on the issue simply because it is not on their personal agenda, or when we

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**CHRISTMAS PARADE 2012** - Santa Claus (above) and Church of God (2nd place float) helped make the Hickman Christmas Parade held on Saturday, Dec. 15 a big success. (See more photos throughout the paper.) (Photos by Charlotte Smith.)



## FCSO Safety Checkpoint yields four arrests Friday

On Friday, Dec. 14, the Fulton County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) conducted a highway safety checkpoint at the intersection of State Route 125 and 166 (the Y). During the course of the checkpoint numerous warnings were given out for various violations. Two subjects were arrested at the checkpoint and two were arrested at the intersection of State Route 166 and 2140 after they attempted to avoid the checkpoint by turning off onto 2140. Four individuals were arrested. Those arrested and their charges are listed below:

Megan Fitts, a 27-year-old black female, from Hickman, Ky., was charged with failure of non-owner to maintain required insurance, 1st offense, and license to be in possession. Fitts was arrested on (2) outstanding failure to appear warrants out of Graves County, Ky. Fitts was lodged in the Fulton County Detention Center (FCDC) on a \$400 cash bond.

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Puckett

Williams



**ROTARY MEMBERS TOUR SAP MEETING ROOM/CHURCH** - On Thursday, Dec. 13 several Hickman Rotary Club members toured the SAP Meeting Room/Church facilities at the Fulton County Detention Center. The building comes complete with a steeple, a baptismal and an altar. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)



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*Turning Back The Clock*

**25 Years Ago  
March 3, 1988**

An offer by Sigri Carbon Corporation to buy out the union’s contract was rejected unanimously last week by members of the Local 3-816 of the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers Union.

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Tim Langford filed papers on February 24 to seek the Democratic nomination for the office of Senator of the First District of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

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Fulton County Judge/Executive James M. Everett has announced his campaign for State Representative.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Everett of Hickman have returned home after visiting their daughters in North Carolina and Frankfort, West Germany.

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Evalou Walker and Rita Kemp visited Ruby Mangold one evening last week.

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Betty Ann Jones visited Friday and spent Saturday night with Ms. Ruth Gibson.

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Obituaries: Barbara Judy Murry, 46; Margaret Dale Lawson, 68; Alvin Morgan, 75; Gladys Wheeler Keathley, 87.

**50 Years Ago  
May 23, 1963**

The official groundbreaking for the new mausoleum to be built in Hickman City Cemetery was held last week. Present at the ceremony was Mayor King Davis, Paul Cates, Swayne Pickett, Judge J.C. Bondurant, Police Chief Marion Graves and City Clerk Frances Johnson.

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The following had perfect attendance the entire school year at Western Elementary: Ricky Walters, Allen Sullivan, Martha and Howard Hobbs, Brenda and Betty Sue Moffett, Denise Rollins, Terry Green, Martha Dell Mitchum, Beverly and Sandra Sutton, Douglas and Stevie Ligons, Brenda, Diana and Jimmy George, Nancy Parker, Rudene Mann, Missie Kemp, Lana Stowe, and Jimmy Darnell.

**75 Years Ago  
May 20, 1938**

A group of Boy Scouts met one evening at the home of Henry Clay Choate and organized the Flying Eagle patrol. Officers chosen were: Henry C. Choate, leader; Junior Cardwell, assistant leader; Jack Hall, chief bugler; David Slade, quartermaster; Maurice Wiley, grub-master; Lawrence Jones, scribe and cheerleader; Joe Roger, hike master. A new member added is James Pruitt. Their slogan is “stick-to-it.”

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The Casey Jones Memorial Committee received another donation for the marker to be erected at Cayce this week from T.B. Hardin of Oklahoma City, Okla.

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St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, founded here in 1843 by the Rev. Newlin Cowgill, marked the 95<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a special Thanksgiving service and anniversary sermon Sunday morning.

**125 Years Ago  
May 20, 1888**

The Loudow Dramatic Company will present the celebrated Irish comedy-drama “Colleen Bawn,” here on May 31. Ice water will be served free and large swinging fans will be put in the hall to keep it cool.

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The following magistrates appeared upon the commons of Judge Naylor to consider the condition of the county buildings Monday: Esquires J.R. Alexander, N. Hammon, T.B. Attebery, J.F. Menees, J.W. Mayes, G.S. Wilson, J.S. Boaz, J.R. McGehee, J.J. Jones, and J.F. Bushart. They levied an advalorem tax of 2 1/2 cents to repair the county jail.

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Hickman has some splendid railroad prospects but somehow they don’t materialize.

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If a bridge could be put across the Mississippi at Hickman Jay Gould would be able to do what he has long desired – connect Charleston with Hickman and the roads centering there and thus induce the building of more roads to Charlestown.

**Letter to the Editor**

Dear Community,

We are all deeply troubled and sorrowful to hear of the great tragedy in Connecticut at an elementary school on Friday. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Sandy Hook Elementary School community that was devastated by the loss of their children and educators. The news accounts report a large number of fatalities, many of which were elementary-age-students, a principal and teachers. The shooter is dead.

Our children and staff are our most precious resource and to that end, we take this tragedy as a stark reminder of the importance of our safety procedures and our check-in process for all visitors to our schools. While there is no indication that this is anything but an isolated incident far away from the Fulton County School District we do want to take this opportunity to remind all of our families that we conduct regular drills, including those for a building lockdown, and that we have secure doors at the main entrance to each school with a buzzer and camera system to view and speak to those entering our schools. All visitors to our schools must enter and sign in with the school office. Other exterior doors to the buildings remain locked at all times and only staff can access those doors.

These are just a few of the procedures that we have in place to help ensure student safety and security. Certainly in this day and age we can never be absolutely protected against all circumstances, but we do educate staff throughout the year, practice our safety plan and rely on our parents, first responders and the community to help us practice and respond using our safety procedures.

We know that children may raise questions and concerns about this tragedy. The American Psychological Association (APA) recommends several tips for parents to consider:

Talk with your child -

If children ask questions, talking to them about their worries and concerns is the first step to help them feel safe and begin to cope with the events occurring around them. What you talk about and how you say it does depend on their age, but all children need to be able to know you are there and listening to them.

Keep home a safe place -

Children, regardless of age, often find home to be a safe haven when the world around them becomes overwhelming. During times of crisis, it is important to remember that your children may come home seeking the safe feeling they have being there.

Watch for signs of stress, fear or anxiety -

After a traumatic event, it is typical for children (and adults) to experience a wide range of emotions including fearfulness, shock, anger, grief and anxiety. Your children’s behaviors may change because of their response to the event. They may experience trouble sleeping, difficulty with concentrating on schoolwork, or changes in appetite. This is normal for everyone and should begin to disappear in a few months.

Take “news breaks” –

Your children may want to keep informed by gathering information about the event from the internet, television, or newspapers. It is important to limit the amount of time spent watching the news because constant exposure may actually heighten their anxiety and fears. Other resources can be found at [www.kysafeschools.org](http://www.kysafeschools.org)

Giving your child back a sense of routine is a critical part of “getting back” to normal. Monday, we will be prepared to assist you child if they have questions. If you have any questions or concerns, you are always welcome to contact the school principal or the central office. Please know we have a school counselor who can assist parents in talking with their children or answering questions. Feel free to contact the school principal or the central office if you have further questions. We will continue to keep you informed on our website and through letters as other safety issues occur. Our students and your children are our most precious resource and their safety is our priority and we will continue to be ever diligent in that effort.

Again, please keep all those involved in your thoughts in prayers today and in future days.

Sincerely,  
Dennis Bledsoe  
Superintendent Fulton County School System



**APPRECIATION** - Joker and Wanda Parker of Hickman are ready to enjoy the delicious food available at Porter Insurance’s Open House that was held Friday, Dec. 21. (Photo by Barbara Atwill)

**Merry Christmas**

*May your hearts be filled with the Peace, Promise and Love that Christmas brings*

TO THE PEOPLE OF DISTRICT 4  
AND FULTON COUNTY RESIDENTS



*May God bless each of you as we celebrate Christ’s Birth*

**BRO. HENRY  
AND  
SHIRLEY CALLISON**

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*... behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, “Where is He that is born King...for we have seen His star in the east, and have come to worship Him.”*  
MATTHEW 2:1-2

*Enjoy the belssings of the season*



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## RECIPE GUILTY TAKES

# Courier Crumbs

Our Hickman Courier readers and Facebook friends are starting a new weekly column in the paper called the "Courier Crumbs". Each week we will share three or four old or new recipes for you to try. Please feel free to submit your own recipes for publication. Please specify if they are old or new and who they are from and send to hickmancourier@bellsouth.net or our Facebook page.

### Crock Pot Candy

submitted by Fran Yarbrow McPeake

2 jars roasted peanuts (16 oz each, 1 unsalted, 1 salted)  
4 oz box of German chocolate  
12 oz. chocolate chips (semisweet)  
1 ½ pkgs chocolate flavored almond bark (save the rest)

Layer all of this in order listed in a crock pot. Cook on low heat for 2 hours. DO NOT PEEK! After 2 hours, open and stir until thoroughly mixed. Drop by table-spoonfuls onto wax paper or into small paper cupcake holders. Do not butter the paper. Let set and cool.

### Teeny's Frosted Cranberry Salad

submitted by Charlene Cox Sheehan

This is my favorite of all of Teeny's recipes. She made it every Thanksgiving and Christmas, and put it on a cakestand with the filling in the middle and scattered pecan pieces on the top. It makes a beautiful presentation. We would hide it from Mother so we could eat the leftovers later in the evening!

1 13 1/2 ounce can crushed pineapple  
2 3 ounce packages lemon gelatin  
1 7 ounce bottle ginger ale  
1 1 pound can (2 cups) jellied cranberry sauce  
1 2 ounce package Dream Whip (I use Cool Whip)  
1 8 ounce package cream cheese, softened  
1/2 cup chopped pecans

Drain pineapple, reserving the syrup. Add water to the syrup to make 1 cup. Heat this liquid to boiling. Dissolve gelatin in hot liquid and cool. Gently stir in Ginger Ale and chill until partially set. Blend fruits, fold into gelatin mixture. Turn into round jello mold or you can use 9x9x2 inch dish. Chill until firm. Prepare topping or use 1/2 tub of Cool Whip and blend into cream cheese. Spread over gelatin (if using a mold, turn out on platter and put topping in the middle). Toast pecans in 1 Tbl. butter at 350 degrees for 10 minutes. Sprinkle over top of dish and chill. Serves 9.

We will be closed Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 24 and 25  
**Deadline for Thursday, Dec. 27 issue is Copy Thursday, Dec. 22 at 2 p.m. and for ads Friday, Dec. 21 at 10 a.m.**

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# City Attorney swears in 2013 Commission

Charlotte Smith  
Editor

After members of the Commission heard from Hickman business owner Roger Gordon, Commissioner Barbara Yandal, and Mark Mosely, of Edmaiston and Mosely Funeral Home, they received updates from Police Chief Tony Grogan, Public Works Director Mike Hartigan and Fire Chief Jackie Duncan on Monday, Dec. 10.

Chief Grogan discussed three properties that need to be brought up to code, including one on Wellington and two on Myatt. During November the police department arrest log was more active than the previous month.

"Work is being performed on the fire trucks to prepare them for pump tests," stated Fire Chief Duncan.

Public Works Director Hartigan had nothing to report, but did volunteer his department to take care of an eye sore on Myatt Street.

After adopting Municipal Order 12-2, Establishing a Job Description for Administrative Clerk (Police/Fire Dept.) and Amending Pay Classification, the Commission agreed to hire two part-time employees to fill a role at the police/fire station once Fulton County Dispatch begins supplying dispatch service to the city (beginning Dec. 17).

They then approved Municipal Order 12-3, Amending Personnel Policy regarding the classification of "immediate family," with all voting in favor of it. Adopting Ordinance 12-24, Amending Code of Ethics followed passing on a three to two vote, with Commissioner Choate thinking the wording still needs to say "family," so all family will be included. Commissioner Yandal also voted no and expressed her desire to see the city have an active ethics board, something that is hard to achieve when residing in a small town.

Ordinance 12-23, Amending Planning & Zoning Comprehensive Plan, which

includes information about fencing and wall heights, was tabled before the second reading could be held. Members of the Commission wish to have more information before adopting the ordinance.

Other items dispensed of in unfinished business included the following:

- Approve an invoice for Wood Communications, including the radio licensing fees (\$6,211.50)
- Approve Vaughn Electric invoice for \$3,947 for repairs at by pass lift station

- Approve to extend the General Fund Line of Credit Loan for another year

- Discussed adding Michael Palmer as a volunteer fireman, but decided to wait until after the beginning of the New Year, currently there are 18 members of the volunteer force.

- Approve re-bidding of the water plant valve

- Board Appointment – Planning & Zoning Board – re-appoint Deena Anderson

During a 26-minute executive session the administrative clerk position and the city manager vacancy were both discussed.

The meeting concluded with the Swearing In Ceremony. City Attorney Leanna Wilkerson swore in Commissioners David Weatherly, Roger Adams, Charles Choate, Phillip Williams and Mayor David Lattus. They will begin serving on January 1, 2013 and their first official meeting is scheduled for Monday, Jan. 14 at 7 p.m. at City Hall.



**SWEARING IN CEREMONY** - Hickman City Attorney Leanna Wilkerson (far left) swore in Commissioners and Mayor for the next two years including (l to r) Commissioners Charles Choate, David Weatherly (Mayor Pro-Tem), Roger Adams, Mayor David Lattus, and Commissioner Phillip Williams. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)



Everyone has special Christmas stories! One of my favorites is a story my father used to tell about a set of twins, one an optimist and one a pessimist! Here goes.....

A family had twin boys whose only resemblance to each other was their looks. If one felt it was too hot, the other thought it was too cold. If one said the TV was too loud, the other claimed the volume needed to be turned up. Opposite in every way, one was an eternal optimist, the other a doom and gloom pessimist!

Just to see what would happen, on Christmas their father loaded the pessimist's room with every imaginable toy and game. The optimist's room he loaded with horse manure.

That morning the father passed by the pessimist's room and found him sitting amid his new gifts crying bitterly.

"Why are you crying?" the father asked.

"Because my friends will be jealous. I'll have to read all these instructions before I can do anything with this stuff. I'll constantly need batteries and my toys will eventually get broken," wailed the pessimist twin.

Passing the optimist twin's room, the father found him dancing for joy in the pile of manure. "What are you so happy about?" asked the father.

To which his optimist twin replied, "There's got to be a pony in here somewhere!"

**Merry Christmas to you all and may we all approach the New Year with the eagerness and wonder of the optimistic twin!!**

**Mark Your Calendar!!** Thursday, Dec. 20, Sassafras Ridge Baptist Church, **Christmas Devotion and Singing**, 10:15; and Friday, Dec. 21, **Christmas Party**, 10:00-1:00! **Please feel free to join us!!**

We play **Bingo** (25 cents a card)

each **Monday and Wednesday** following lunch! Come out and **win a prize!** The games start at approximately 11:30. The money goes to assist with buying materials for Adult Day Care (ADC) activities. **Winners of this week's Bingo games were:** Baby Doll Yarbrow (2 times), Blossie Chairs and Bob White, coverall, were the Monday winners. Wednesday Bingo winners were Helen Drewry, Bob White, Julia Davis and Julia Davis, coverall.

**Words of Wisdom:** The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams. ~ Eleanor Roosevelt

The following items will be

served at the Senior Center next week:

**Monday, Dec. 24 & Tuesday, Dec. 25**

**Center Closed**

**Wednesday, Dec. 26**

Meatloaf, baked potato, cabbage, whole-wheat roll, peach slices, granola topping, and skim milk.

**Thursday, Dec. 27**

Beef pot roast, oven browned potatoes and carrots, whole-wheat roll, confetti slaw, banana, and skim milk.

**Friday, Dec. 28**

Ham, egg and potato bake, hot fruit compote, stewed tomatoes, bran muffin, and skim milk.



**VERY ENTERTAINING** - Cameron McNeill played Todd in the Christmas Shoe Tree Christmas Musical performed at West Hickman Baptist Church Sunday night. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

## Brown, Mitchell, Stokes families are all connected

James Robert Brown, born and reared in Troy (Obion County), Tennessee, rode with Company K, 22<sup>nd</sup> Division Tennessee Calvary of the Confederate States of America.

He was married Dec. 16, 1874 to Annie Mary Rose, (1856-1936) daughter of John B. and Mary E. Rose of Hickman, Kentucky. Mrs. Rose was a charter member of the First

Baptist Church of Hickman and Mr. Rose was a Deacon.

The James Robert Browns lived in Hickman. He engaged in farming, operated a mercantile store and a sawmill.

They were parents of seven girls and one son – Hattie, Ola, Cora Lebia, Laura, Marine, James Hearn, Annie Lee and Vera. The last child, Vera, died in infancy.

Marine Brown (1889-1982) married Kinchen Allen Mitchell (1878-1956) of Owensboro (Daviess County), on August 18, 1911. K.A. Mitchell was one of eleven children born to Franklin D. and Samantha Hay Mitchell of Owensboro. He came to Hickman as Agent for the Lee Line, a Riverboat passenger and freight service operating on the Mississippi River. Later he became associated with Wilson-Butt Wholesale Grocery until it was purchased by M. Livingston & Company with parent company in Paducah, Kentucky. He remained with this company and served as manager of the Hickman Branch until his retirement.

K.A. Mitchell was active in civic affairs, member of the Lions Club, and a faithful member and Deacon in First Baptist Church until his death in 1956.

Marine B. Mitchell was also a faithful member of the First Baptist Church, active in social clubs, P.T.A., and long time member and past president of

Have a safe and happy holiday season

## FROM THE HICKMAN ELECTRIC SYSTEM EMPLOYEES

### Keep your tree accident free

Few things are more festive than the twinkle of holiday lights. These simple steps can keep your holiday lights safer.

- Inspect all the wires, plugs, and sockets of all your electric lights before you string them.
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# Sports In Kentucky

## For the Hickman Courier

By Bob Watkins

Against another outmanned if feisty foe, Lipscomb, the Kentucky Wildcats are improved. John Calipari can circle-talk, make it complicated, but it isn't. Big Blue fans are witnessing one-season removed high school hot shots coming of age. How to adjust from being The Man, into a (what?) role player.

Against Lipscomb, Archie Goodwin appeared to accept he is not Dwyane Wade; Kyle Wiltjer knows his stand-and-shoot freebies from the perimeter are over until opponents are convinced Alex Poythress is Terrence Jones.

Nerlens Noel is finding rhythm, Ryan Harrow, a groove, and Jarrod Polson a new role, from People's Choice to Glue Factor.

Next, Marshall should give Kentucky a reasonable test. Maybe a how-to in physical play. Point of interest: Will Alex Poythress ignore the 'who me?' reaction to foul calls, skip the pout, and go get the ball?

**Footnote.** If Calipari's out-of-coach-box antics continue, the coach will cost Kentucky a technical foul, a crucial possession, even a win down the road. Ever more frequently as he rails at his players and/or the officials, Calipari wanders beyond the sideline coach's box, and at times on the playing floor.

**WESTERN-PETRINO**  
Western Kentucky hiring Bob Petrino is disappointing. Morally, a poor choice.

Financially, the gamble is a big name on coach office door, however long it stays, profits Hilltopper athletics. (Note: Ticket price hike, wait for it)

As director of athletics Todd Stewart adjusts the feather in his cap, it seems folly to believe WKU becomes a bigger player in college sports because of this coach.

Optimist view: Western is taking one step back to take two Steps forward ... later.

Petrino contract with Hilltopper football is (coach) history repeating itself. In 1989 Rick Pitino's alliance (not allegiance) with C.M. Newton and Kentucky basketball was

what it was, a stepping stone (to the Celtics).

Track record proves Petrino will be no more dedicated to Bowling Green than he was to Louisville, Atlanta or Fayetteville.

Let us hope then, Western's athletic bank account is flush with cash, when the football transitions again.

**MURRAY-WESTERN**  
Among college basketball's most entertaining games so far – Western Kentucky at Murray State. The 75-70 final was a Murray State home win more than a WKU loss.

Murray's Isaiah Canaan demonstrated again his All-American qualities – superb leader and uncanny shooter in a game's last five minutes. This is not last season's Racers, but fans who like it hot, would do well to have tickets for Murray games with Eastern Kentucky, Morehead State and Belmont.

Western? Defense was good enough to win at Murray. The offense, without starters T.J. Price and Jamal Crook and with no help from Kevin Kaspar, faltered. With dates at VCU and Louisville in Nashville, coming up, offense is fixable.

**HERO & THE SHOT!**  
A hero most admired is one who gathers up his gall, recognizes a moment, grabs it by the throat and shakes the daylight out of it.

Alex Barlow, walk-on at Butler U., took a pass against No. 1 Indiana the other day, dribbled to front court, spun into the lane and took *The Shot*. Bumpity bump and in.

Bedlam. From the realm of Whatsisname, in a flash, Alex Barlow ascended to basketball's summit.

Alex who?

A 5-11 kid straight out of your backyard pickup game popped onto the scene and gave us relief from the tiresome flood of hyperbole lavished on 5-star anointees, McDonalds' All-Americans and television analysts who screech "did you see that!?"

We can be sure, can't we, that Butler coach Brad Stevens called Barlow's number for the last shot? As certain perhaps as

we can swallow Tom Crean's explanation for lifting his best shot blocker Cody Zeller (14 in 10 games) for the final 19 seconds.

Barlow's clear look at the hoop for a twisting turn-around shot that took a quirky bounce-on-the-rim, magnified Crean's mortifying blunder. But never mind. This week marks Barlow's Bravery. Break out the tee-shirts and pen another episode into Hoosier basketball book of magic.

**Postscript.** Barlow's dagger last week brought to mind IU's Christian Watford's shot against Kentucky this time a year ago, and the old sports notion: "what goes around, comes around."

**'TEAMS TO BEAT'**  
Team to beat in April (NCAA finals) remains Indiana, Butler coach Brad Stevens said after his team shocked IU last week. He was being politically correct of course.

Reality is, as we head to Christmas, the Teams-to-Beat-in-April category has three and none is named Indiana.

As Santa Claus loads his sleigh and downs a couple Tyslenol, Duke, Louisville and Kansas are in the mix.

Duke tops the poll because of its customary modus operandi – smarts meshed and maximized into (what else?) team-ness.

Louisville is emerging as a Pitino Deluxe. Veteran team driven by a man whose trademarks should already have him in the Hall of Fame – relentless defense and the WILL to "make 'em play how we want to play." Fast, frantic, physical, exhausting and full out for 40.

**PARTING SHOT**  
Forbes Magazine ranking for best college for the money was published recently. Where do the Commonwealth of Kentucky universities rank?

No. 90 is Centre, 186 is Transylvania, 190 is Berea, 224 is Bellarmine and Asbury is 339th. At 541st is Louisville and Murray State is 547th.

Aspirant to become one of America's Top 20 universities is my alma mater, University of Kentucky ... ranks 410th.

And so it goes.

# Lady Pilots let game get away in second half

Charlotte Smith  
Editor

District action in high school basketball started last week with the Lady Pilots traveling across the county to take on their rival the Lady Bulldogs. Coach Leonard Smith, Sr., was looking for a big district win and with the first half complete and his ladies up 28-20, it looked like he was going to get his wish. Unfortunately it wasn't to be as a scoreless third quarter forced the Lady Pilots to claw their way back into the game only to come up short in the end, falling 32-34.

In the first half, four Lady Pilots scored with senior Denisha Pierce leading the way with seven points, including one trey. Others scoring in the opening stanza were Lucy Kimble, Vicious Pierce, and Alexis Dickson, all adding four points a piece.

Rebounding by several Lady Pilots contributed to their success in the first quarter, but in the second half the Lady Bulldogs came out ready to fight their way back into the game.

"I thought they outplayed us in the third quarter," stated Coach Smith. "We lost lack of focus. I felt my players thought they had the game won and we took it for granted."

The Lady Bulldogs scored eight unanswered points to tie the game at 20 all with 3:52 to go in the third quarter. They finished the quarter strong, scoring eight more points to claim the lead 20-28 with one quarter left.

"Fulton City fed off their crowd," added Coach Smith.

The Lady Pilots seemed to find more energy in the fourth quarter and slowly pulled within three with 2:52 to go in the game with buckets by Dixie Major, D'Lraysha Alexander, Denisha Pierce.

Things took a turn for the worse when Vicious Pierce fouled out with 2:22 to go in the game.

Missed free throws by the Lady Bulldogs allowed Alexander to score for the Lady Pilots, pulling them within one point with 2:13 to go in the game. "The missed free throws by our players didn't help us," noted Coach Smith. "We didn't hustle back to our defensive sets

like we should have."

With 1:43 left in the contest, Coach Smith called a time out to talk things over with his players.

The Lady Bulldogs would again get the ball down under the basket to Markesha Dickerson for four more points.

Kimble missed two key free throws with 54:3 seconds to go in the game, keeping the Lady Pilots down by five with time running out.

A steal and the bucket by Alexander would pull the visiting squad within three with

24:7 seconds left to play.

Nekkesia Jackson would sink one of two free throws for the Lady Bulldogs forcing the Lady Pilots to score twice.

The Lady Pilots would put the ball in veteran Denisha Pierce's hands. Her missed three-point attempt was rebounded by the Lady Pilots and would be put through the hoop for two points by Kimble to pull within two.

Time ran out before the Lady Pilots could score again. They dropped the district contest by

See **LADY PILOTS**, page 8



**NO CONTACT HERE** - Lady Pilot Lucy Kimble gets ready to make a move with the ball as the Lady Bulldog defender keeps her distance. The Lady Pilots lost the district game by two, 32-34 on Friday night at Fulton City. (Poto by Charlotte Smith.)



**GRABBING THE REBOUND** - Dixie Major of the Lady Pilots grabs the rebound and looks to pass to teammate D'Lraysha Alexander on Friday night at Fulton City. Major grabbed a few boards and had two points in the road loss. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

# Miller and Bulldogs too much for Pilots

Charlotte Smith  
Editor

Pilot Head Coach Andrew Clinton and his company knew they would have to keep Fulton City's Jordan Miller from having a big night to have success against their district and county rivalry. They had success early in the first quarter and the Pilots jumped on top with a three-point lead with 3:28 left in the opening quarter last Friday night in Fulton. The next three minutes would be key and the Bulldogs took advantage of every opportunity claiming the lead at the end of the first quarter and never looking back taking the game 41-57.

Octavious Smith opened the night with seven points in the first quarter to help keep his team close. Then in the second quarter Shaquon Wilson scored a couple of buckets and the Pilots were within two with 4:53 to go in the first half.

The Pilots missed a couple of key opportunities when they failed to convert on two Bulldog turnovers and with 2:43 left to go in the second quarter, they were still down by two, 21-23.

Two free throws went through the hoop for the Bulldogs combined with a bucket by Miller gave the Bulldogs the advantage at the half by six, 27-21.

"I was really proud of how hard we came out and played especially in the first half. The guys played as a team and with a "team" focus. We moved the ball around well in our offense and finished with 10 assists on 18 baskets," stated Coach Clinton about the first half. "Octavious Smith did a good job of scoring the ball in the first half and our point guards did a good job of limiting our turnovers. I was pleased with Joe Holman and Smith's efforts on the boards especially since they were fighting against Miller on several of the rebounds.

A three point would go through the rim for the Pilots with 7:13 to go in the third quarter. After that it was all Fulton City, with Miller scoring eight points to close out the quarter.

The Pilots would need some big buckets to get back into the game, now down by 15 for the final eight minutes of play.

A trey by Damontrell Pierce was a good way to start the quarter. Unfortunately, Fulton City would answer with three



**GOOD FOR TWO** - Octavious Smith scores two of his seven points on this shot taken during the first quarter when the Pilots traveled to Fulton City to take on the Bulldogs Friday night. The game was close during the first half but the Bulldogs took command winning the game 41-57. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

more buckets. Buckets by Joe Holman, DeVontae Hampton, Aaron King, and Austin Matheny wouldn't be enough to overcome the Bulldogs. The Pilots lost the district contest by 16, 41-57.

"Sheron Nolan, DeVontae Hampton, Ryan Williams, and Aaron King did an excellent job applying pressure to Fulton City's point guard and eventually got Jackson to foul out," added Coach Clinton. "I thought our big guys did a good job in the beginning of containing Miller, who only had 12 of his 33 points in the first half. Pierce had a few steals and deflections in the game which helped us on the defensive end."

Wilson, who left the game with an injury, was the high scorer for the Pilots with 14 points. Smith had seven, followed by Pierce with 6, Holman added 4, Hampton and Sheron Nolan each had three, and Matheny and King two a piece.

Pulling down the most boards for the Pilots on Friday night was Smith with 8. Holman added five and Wilson 2.

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Merry Christmas



# Inmates to receive nice gesture from area churches

Charlotte Smith  
Editor

Fulton County Attorney Rick Major informed the Fulton County Fiscal Court on Friday, Dec. 14, that he is still waiting for a response from the Army Corps of Engineers on the damage claim for Sutton Road. He also had positive things to say about the Community Corrections program. "There is about a \$3,000 net positive savings for

the county," stated Major. "We are tickled about the progress and have been working to integrating everything Jailer Ricky Parnell wants included."

Major gave an example of an individual who has been on an alcohol monitor instead of being incarcerated. "He has been able to work, pay his bills and keeps his good job," stated Major. "He would have been in our jail for 90 to 120 days instead a state prisoner filled the bed."

Another positive touched on during Friday's meeting included the "nice gesture" which will be shown on Sunday, Dec. 23. Over 400 gift baskets will be provided to inmates in the Fulton County Detention Center with various churches and Grissom Commissary providing the baskets. "We will hold a church service in the newly erected SAP community room/church building on Sunday, Dec. 23 at 9 a.m.," stated Fulton County Judge/Executive David Gallagher. "Local churches and other community groups will provide baskets for each inmate."

Cam Kenimer, Fulton County Extension Agent, presented his "Report to the People" to update the Fiscal Court on the services the UK Extension has provided to the community during the year. The outreach to Fulton County included estate planning, Women in Agriculture, Summer Day Camp 2012, Basic Grilling Skills, Irrigation, Weed Management, What's in a Doctor's Bag, and EFNEP (Expanded Foods and Nutrition Education Program) to name a few.

On Monday, Dec. 17 the Fulton County Dispatch Center be-

gan providing dispatching services for the City of Hickman. New equipment was expected earlier this week and Next Gen equipment is scheduled to be installed in January. "It has really turned out to be a positive outcome for all concerned," added Magistrate Bubba Nelms on the progress of dispatch in the county.

Business conducted on Friday included the following:

- Second reading of revision of Fulton County Ordinance 2001-02 concerning Court Facilities Fees
- Board Appointments - Pam Dinwiddie and Ben Mullins to the Fulton County Extension Board and George Jones to the Hickman-Fulton County Riverport Authority Board.
- Board Reappointments - Barbra McIntee and Julia Davis to the Fulton County Senior Citizens Board, Mary Harris and James Bobbitt to the Fulton County Library Board and Pam Dinwiddie, Ethics Commissioner.
- Fulton County Detention Center new employees include

Terry Hitesman, Tyler Hunter, Joshua Smith, and Duston Walton, all part-time

- Fulton County employee - Teri Powell, full time dispatcher.

Other items approved included the Fulton County Sheriff's State Advancement, Budget for Calendar Year 2012, and Salary Order for Calendar Year 2012.

On December 7, a special called meeting was held to discuss the Fulton County Revolving Loan Fund with Eddie Crittendon, Fulton-Hickman Counties Economic Development Partnership Executive Director and the supplemental agreement between Fulton County Fiscal Court and Kentucky Transportation Cabinet.

The Fiscal Court approved the Danny Larcom bid for heating and air conditioning work at the Senior Citizens building and the county office building after some adjustments for \$109,000.

The Fulton County Fiscal Court will meet in regular session on Monday, Jan. 14, 2013 at 9 a.m.



**SWARMED BY EAGLES** - Jr. Pilot Davis Major is swarmed by two Eagle defenders during last week's middle school basketball game. The Jr. Pilots came from behind to take the victory on Thursday, Dec. 13 at Black Oak. (Photo by Crystal Prehoda.)

## Black Oak comes back to win

Charles Choate  
Courier Correspondent  
The Fulton County Middle School Lady Pilots traveled into



**LOOKING AHEAD** - Leslie Beth Jackson dribbles as she looks ahead up court. (Photo by Crystal Prehoda.)

Tennessee last week to take on the Black Oak Eagles.

And despite a close game for three quarters, the Obion County team came back in the final period to win 34-26.

"It came down to our shooting again," said coach Merry Williams. "We always seem to have more shots than our opponent, but our percentage of making those shots is terrible."

The Lady Pilots trailed 8-6 at the end of the first quarter, with Black Oak spreading that lead to 19-13 at halftime.

Coach Williams' team came out of the locker room strong for the third period, outscoring the Eagles 10-0, to take a 23-19 advantage.

But in the final quarter, Black Oak took advantage of two 3-point shots from Trisha Schmidt and five points from Nelliana Wooten to go on a 15-3 run to win.

Leah Weatherly led Fulton County with 8 points, with Alana Coffey chipping in 7 points.

Jekiya Warren had 5, Kylira Williams had 4 and Leslie Beth Jackson had 2.

Nelliana Wooten led all scorers for Black Oak with 16.

## Late comeback seals Jr. Pilot win

Charles Choate  
Courier Correspondent

Fulton County Middle School coach James Bridges has found out that winning on the road is not an easy chore.

The Jr. Pilots were forced to make defensive changes, after trailing for three quarters, which prompted a come-from-behind 48-35 win over Black Oak.

"The Pilots made the changes after the Eagles Isacc Darnell lit up the visitors for four 3-point shots.

"I told coach Dinwiddie that we need to get a timeout and make some changes quick," said Bridges about the third quarter move. "After we did that, I think they (Black Oak) scored four points and we were able to take the lead."

Trailing 25-19 at the inter-

mission, with Bridges already accessed a technical foul, the Pilots turned on the heat offensively and defensively.

Fulton County outscored the Eagles 10-5 in the third quarter and again outscored the Obion Countian's 19-5 in the final period to win their sixth game of the season.

"I am really proud of the guys," said Bridges. "We got down and they just kept playing hard. We changed the defense and it was just like a new team hit the floor."

Davis Major led all scorers with 24 points, while teammates Jake Russell and Dre Smith each added 10 points. Taylor Sipes and Dylan Burkett also scored 2 points each.

Isacc Darnell led Black Oak with 14 points.



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## Family



Picture: Marine B. and K. Allen Mitchell

The Robert Tyler Chapter United Daughters of the Confederacy. One of her accomplishments while working with the U.D.C. was, with the aid of other members the procurement from the government of the stone markers for all the Confederate Veterans in Hickman City Cemetery. She loved her family and many friends with whom she kept in touch by correspondence until her death April 10, 1982.

To the union of Marine B. and K.A. Mitchell was born in Hickman, one son, James Allen

Mitchell on 18 January 1919. He was educated in Hickman City Schools and Murray State University received a B.S. Degree in 1940. Taught and coached at Western High School 1940-Jan. '42. Served as Captain in Air Force from Jan.'42-May 1946. Employed by M. Livingston & Co. until September 1950. Principal and coach Hickman High School 1950-1954. Salesman from 1954 to present time.

James A. Mitchell wed Doris Glenn Stokes 17 June 1950. Doris is daughter of the late Euel Glenn Stokes and Nelle Lee Harris Stokes and has one

brother, Euel Glenn Stokes, Jr. of Cheyenne, Wyoming. The Stokes family were originally from Water Valley (Graves County) while the Harris family was from Mayfield (Graves County). Doris is a former secretary, high school instructor, and presently, a Realtor and Partner in Century 21 Waldrop & Waldrop, Realtors, of Mayfield, having recently been honored by her peers as Realtor of the Year, 1982.

To this union was born—James A. Mitchell, Jr., 25 March 1951. 1973 Graduate U.S. Military Academy, West Point, now associated with Macy's Kansas City, Mo. Married 1981 Marsha Mullenieux, presently living in Blue Springs, Mo.

Laura Lee Mitchell Ralph, 26 November 1955; 1976 Graduate Western Kentucky University. Now Dental Hygienist, Tampa, Florida. Married 1977 Paul Jeffrey Ralph—presently living Tampa, Florida.

Glenn Stokes Mitchell, 21 August 1957; 1980 Graduate Western Kentucky University. Employed Oshman's, Tampa, Florida. Presently living Tampa,

Florida.

*Editor's Note: This family history was reprinted from the Fulton County Historical Society history book of 1983. The next family to be highlighted will be Annie Laurie Burnette. If anyone would like to update this history before we reprint it, please contact us 270-236-3412 or hickmancourier@bellsouth.net.*

## PSC Selects Overlay for New Area Code in Western Kentucky

*Current numbers in area code 270 remain unchanged; decision means 10-digit dialing for local calls beginning in 2014*

A new area code 364 in western Kentucky will occupy the same geographic area as the current area code 270, the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) announced this week.

The overlay option is the least disruptive for all customers and imposes the smallest cost on businesses in the area, the PSC said in its order. This is the first area code in Kentucky created by an overlay. Area code 270 was created in 1999 by splitting area code 502.

"This decision means that everyone who now has an area code 270 phone number can keep that number," PSC Chairman David Armstrong said. "The only thing that will change is that 10-digit dialing will be required for local calls beginning in early 2014."

Ten-digit dialing means that an area code must precede the seven-digit phone number for all local calls within the current area code 270 territory. Long-distance calls within area code 270 will require 11-digit (1 plus area code plus number) dialing, like any long-distance call to outside the area. Ten-digit dialing also will be required for all calls where local calling areas span the boundary between area code 270 and adjoining area codes.

With more than a year until final implementation, there will be ample time for a smooth transition that will allow everyone to become familiar with the new dialing rules, Armstrong said.

Today's PSC order sets an implementation schedule for the overlay that extends over the next 13 months. Telecommunication providers are ordered to begin preparing their networks for the change no later than Feb. 2, 2013.

## Bluff Briefs

### Open House at Hickman Public Library

Hickman Public Library will be sponsoring a canned food drive for the ARK Foundation. In lieu of a fine patrons can bring in canned food items and receive one dollar off their fine for each can brought in. This drive will run through December 20, when we have our library open house. Open house hours will be from 2:00-4:00. Everyone is invited and donations of canned items will also be accepted until this date.

### American Legion will not meet

The American Legion Post 57 will not meet Thursday, Dec. 20, at 6 p.m.

### Seminar to help lose weight to be held in Fulton

A ten video seminar that will help with lowering cholesterol, managing/preventing type 2 diabetes and weight loss/managing weight will start Tuesday, Jan. 8 through Tuesday, March 12. The free seminar will be held at the First United Methodist Church's Willingham Center, located at 200 Carr Street in Fulton, from 6 p.m. – 7 p.m. Call 270-472-3510 by January 2 to register. (By registering, you are committing to attend at least 8 of the 10 session in the series.) Participants attending 8 of 10 sessions will be eligible for a gift card drawing. Space is limited so register early. Sponsored by Willingham Center and Purchase District Health Department.

### Recycling of paper products to be in Hickman

Recycling of paper products will be collected on Saturday, Jan. 12, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., at the Fulton County Road Department in Hickman.

### Christmas Eve Service at St. Paul's Episcopal Church

St. Paul's Episcopal Church will have a Christmas Eve service at 4:00 pm. Everyone is invited.



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Obituaries

Mattie Mae Cheirs

Mrs. Mattie Mae Cheirs, 91, a resident of Hickman, Ky., died December 10, 2012, at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Union City, Tenn.

Born July 21, 1921 in Palestine, Ark, she was the daughter of the late Daniel James and Maggie Hicks. She was a member of the Johnson Chapel Missionary Baptist Church.

Survivors include five sons, Joe Cheirs, Ricky Cheirs and Lawrence Cheirs, all of Hickman, Charles Cheirs of Fulton, Ky., and William Cheirs of Kansas City, Kan.; four daughters, Lillie Mae Cheirs and Christine Whitlow, both of Hickman, Brenda Cheirs of Fulton and Fran McNeill of Little Rock, Ark.; one sister,

Edna Stalls of Centralia, Ill.; 29 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

Her husband, Odie Cheirs; six sons, Robert Cheirs, Johnnie Hicks, Lewis Cheirs, Willie Cheirs and Donnie and Ronnie Cheirs; and one daughter, Margaret Cheirs; preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held December 15, at Fulton Co. High School with Rev. Steve Turner officiating. Burial followed in the Hickman City Cemetery.

Pallbearers were James Estes, Arlie Dick, Mark Harris, Glen Davidson, Roy Swift, and Mark Fitts. Honorary pallbearers were her grandsons.

Strong Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Janice A. Jones

Janice A. Jones, 52, a resident of Clinton, Ky., formerly of Paducah, Ky., died December 13, 2012, at Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah.

She was the daughter of Jessie Crume DeBose of Clinton, and the late Thomas D. Weatherspoon. She was a member of Green Valley Missionary Baptist Church of Clinton. Ms. Jones was a graduate of West Kentucky Technical –Vocational School receiving her certification as a Certified Nursing Assistant and was employed at the Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Survivors, in addition to

her mother, include two sons, Anthony Jones of Paducah, and Tony Jones of Arkadelphia, Ark.; one daughter, Ericka Lee Jones of Metropolis, Ill.; her step-father, Alvin DeBose of Clinton; 10 grandchildren; six brothers, Ricky Crume of Louisville, Ky., Jeff Crume of Clinton, Grant Crume of Paducah, Eric Weatherspoon and Landry Weatherspoon, both of Kokomo, Ind., and Anthony DeBose of Erie, Penn.; four sisters, Renita Crume and Dorthia Curtis, both of Clinton, Charlotte Plain of Puyallup, Wash., and Tera Weatherspoon of Kokomo.; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services will be held at 12 noon, December 22, at the Green Valley Missionary Baptist Church with Reverend Eugene McDonald officiating with burial to follow in the Clinton Cemetery.

Friends may call at Pettus-Rowland Funeral Home of Paducah on Friday, Dec. 21, from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. and at the church on Saturday after 11:00 a.m. until the funeral hour.

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Hickman Police Department News

The Hickman Police Department reports these arrests, citations, investigations and fire calls for Hickman and Cayce Volunteer Fire Departments for Sunday, Dec. 9 – Saturday, Dec. 15:

Sunday, Dec. 9:

- Worked a minor accident on EW James parking lot.
- Investigated a disturbance on Myron Cory Dr.
- Traffic stop on 7<sup>th</sup> St.
- Responded to a call on Claybow Dr.
- Responded to a disturbance on Magnolia St.
- Monday, Dec 10:
- Hickman Vol. Fire responded to a apartment fire at Davis Park.
- Responded to a residential burglar alarm on Union City Hwy.
- Traffic stop on Ivey St – Jennifer Lockridge arrested on a warrant.
- Tuesday, Dec. 11:
- Traffic stop on Troy Ave.
- Traffic stop on Broadway St.
- Responded to Hickman Manor for a welfare check.
- Traffic stop on 7<sup>th</sup> St.
- Wednesday, Dec 12:
- Traffic stop on State Route 125 – Sherry Avery cited for no tail lamps and failure to maintain insurance.
- Responded to a residential

Fulton County Sheriff’s News

The Fulton County Sheriff’s Department reports these arrests and citations for Tuesday, Dec. 11 – Sunday, Dec. 16:

Tuesday, Dec. 11:

- Kelsey Waggoner of Fulton, Ky., white male, arrested, probation violation (felony charges).
- Wednesday, Dec. 12:
- Adam G. Rash of Dothan, Ala., white male, summons, wanton endangerment 1st degree 2 counts, (Police officer).
- Thursday, Dec. 13:
- Anthony Larson of South Fulton, Tenn., white male, arrested, failure to appear 4 counts.
- Friday, Dec. 14:
- Roland Bushor of Mayfield, Ky., white male, citation, speeding 18 over (73/55 mph).
- Christopher Harrell of Union City, Tenn., black male, arrested, operating on suspended or revoked operator’s license.
- Saturday, Dec. 15:
- Megan Fitts of Hickman, Ky., black female, arrested, failure to appear 2 counts (Graves Co.).

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REPEAL THE 1993 FULTON COUNTY WEAPONS ORDINANCE

The Fiscal Court of Fulton County has elected in response to change of Kentucky Revised Statutes by the 2012 Kentucky General Assembly amending KRS 65.870 to prohibit local governments from regulating firearms. The 1993 Fulton County Weapons Ordinance applied to the Fulton County Courthouse building only. The effective date of the Ordinance repeal is November 13, 2012.

**David Gallagher**  
Fulton County Judge/Executive

alarm on Troy Ave.

- Took a report of theft.
- Assisted FCSO on a traffic stop.
- Responded to a disturbance on Liberty St.
- Responded to Terrace Dr for a welfare check.
- Traffic stop on Moscow Ave.
- Traffic stop on Troy Ave.
- Traffic stop on 7<sup>th</sup> St.
- Thursday, Dec 13:
- Responded to an animal complaint on Troy Ave.
- Traffic stop on 7<sup>th</sup> St
- Responded to a call at Hickman Manor.
- Traffic stop on 7<sup>th</sup> St.
- Friday, Dec 14:
- Responded to a call on E Magnolia – report taken for criminal mischief.
- Investigated a complaint of vandalism on Liberty St.
- Responded to an animal complaint on Troy Ave.
- Responded to a reckless driver complaint on Moscow Ave.
- Traffic stop on 7<sup>th</sup> St. – Tabatha Bateman arrested on multiple charges and Gary Miller cited on multiple charges.
- Saturday, Dec 15:
- Traffic stop on State Route 125.
- Responded to a disturbance at Indian Hills.

- Megan Fitts of Hickman, black female, citation, failure of non-owner to maintain required insurance/security 1<sup>st</sup> offense, license to be in possession.
- Marlon Williams of Fulton, Ky., black male, arrested, alcohol intoxication in public place, public intoxication – control substance, possession of controlled substance, 1<sup>st</sup> degree, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense, possession of marijuana, possession of open alcoholic beverage container in motor vehicle prohibited, possession of firearm by convicted felon, prescription controlled substance no in proper container 1<sup>st</sup> offense.
- Melvin Puckett of Fulton, black male, arrested, operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs/etc. .08 (aggravated circumstances) 2<sup>nd</sup>, possession of controlled substance, 1<sup>st</sup> degree, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense, drug unspecified, prescription.
- Sunday, Dec. 16:
- Ryan Barnett of Hickman, black male, arrested, violation of terms and conditions of probation.

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*We would like to thank you all for the phone calls, visits, concerns and most of all prayers that we have received since we had our car accident! We were indeed very fortunate not to suffer any serious injuries and know that God was certainly watching over us that day!! It's nice to know that we are blessed with so many caring friends!*

**God bless you all,**  
**Carolyn Jones and Missy Harrison**

*The Harrison family would like to take this time to thank everyone for the prayers, calls, visits, flowers and food during the loss of our beloved husband, father, son, and brother, Jason Harrison. A very special Thank You to Strong Funeral Home and staff, and a sincere Thank You to Rev. Jim Keeling and Bro. Robert L. Harrison for their kind words and encouragement. We appreciate the whole community that is still praying for our family.*

**Carla M. Harrison and family**  
**Savanna, Jaycee, and Chelsey Harrison**  
**Matthew, Steven, Julie and Ashley Mathenia**  
**Charles L. Harrison and family**  
**Chuckie and Trina Harrison and family**  
**Sherri H. and Bubba Dale Edwards and family**

**FULTON COUNTY FISCAL COURT**  
**REVISION OF FULTON COUNTY ORDINANCE 2001-02**

The Fiscal Court of Fulton County has elected to change Fulton County Ordinance 2001-02. This Ordinance is based upon Judicial Branch Budget Bill passed by the 2000 Kentucky General Assembly as House Bill 577 for the purpose of paying expenses of the Fulton County Courthouse. The Ordinance revision will remove and retract Section 1 and Section 4 concerning fees and costs assessed by the Fulton County Circuit and District Courts. The Ordinance revision will retain Section 2 and Section 3 concerning fees assessed on the service of subpoena and civil summons by the Fulton County Sheriff with a monthly remittal to the Fulton County Fiscal Court. The full text of the purpose is available for public inspection at the office of the Fulton County Judge/Executive's office, 2216 Myron Cory Drive, during regular business hours. First reading of the revision of Fulton County Ordinance 2012-05 was approved September 17, 2012. First of reading of revised Fulton County Ordinance 2001-02 was approved November 13, 2012. Second reading of revised Fulton County Ordinance 2001-02 was approved and adopted on December 14, 2012. Effective date of the revised Fulton County Ordinance 2001-02 is December 14, 2012.

**David Gallagher**  
Fulton County Judge/Executive

Tragedy

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Bledsoe’s Letter to the Editor on page 2.)

A news conference Saturday morning revealed 20 students, six faculty, Lanza’s mom Nancy and he, himself, were all dead. Included in the guns he took from the home was a high-powered rifle that he reportedly left in the car.

Reports say that Lanza gained entrance to the school by shooting out a window and forcing his way in. The school librarian, who was situated at the other end of the school, reported that for whatever reason Lanza skipped past the first classroom and then started shooting the next two classrooms. A terrified third grade teacher said that she hid her students in the bathroom inside the classroom. A janitor went up and down the hallways telling all to get into their classrooms and lock the doors from the inside because there was a shooter on the loose.

The PA system was turned on in the office which amplified the screams throughout the school, reportedly saving countless other lives.

New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani said “This could happen anywhere to anyone. We all have this nightmare about our children.”

A crisis intervention team has been established in the Newtown community.

An emotional Pres. Obama, who has small children of his own, quickly appeared on national TV and said “I know there is not a parent in America that does not know the overwhelming grief that I do. They had their whole lives ahead of them. Birthdays, graduations, weddings, children, and lives of their own. Our hearts are

broken for the parents, grandparents, sisters and brothers of these little children and the families of others who were lost. Every parent in America has a heart heavy with hurt.”

In tight-knit Newtown on Friday night, hundreds of people packed St. Rose of Lima church and stood outside in a vigil for the dead. People held hands, lit candles and sang “Silent Night.”

On Saturday night readers of the Hickman Courier and Facebook friends also had Newtown on their minds.

“Of course I am thinking of the incredible loss of those poor, sweet children and their families, but I also find myself thinking of those amazing teachers. Those people risked, and in some cases lost, their lives to protect those kids and keep them calm,” stated Amber Hoskinson. “They could have hid or ran away and left them at that savage’s mercy, but they didn’t. That to me represents a true hero and I want every one of those people to be recognized as such.”

“Newtown is hundreds of miles from Hickman. BUT it is a town, hurting from the loss of innocence and safety. WE as humans are all feeling the loss. Our collective hearts are broken. Pray for our Country,” added Troy Blondiesalon.

“There’s not alot of things to make a grown man cry , but yesterday watching all of it unfold, I broke down.. It’s just no words to describe the tragedy, painfully the worst thing that could happen in this world is to take innocent children’s life’s .. Pure act of evil, no doubt about.. My heart just hurts thinking about it,” concluded Jay Black.

Yandal

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are told rather than asked what we think is best for our city and the voters that we serve, we will never be able to move forward. Only when we can work for the people and the city will we be able to make progress and move forward.

It is up to us to put our big boy/girl pants on and come to agreements without evading the problems and sweeping them under the rugs (tables) in hopes that they will go away.

It has been said that we don’t want to leave the debt burden of the city for the next generation, but we can’t afford to sit back and let everything else in the city evaporate for lack of exploring new ideals and better ways of doing things like other small

towns and communities.

Our children and grandchildren deserve to have people who genuinely care about them and care about their welfare. They need people who have not forgotten and what it’s like to be a child. When a few of us worked hard to secure funding for the parks in our community only to be told that we could not have matching funds to purchase items and that the grant funds would have to be sent back. This spoke volumes to the community and after months of hard work made for a discouraging outcome. Matching grants can be in-kind service, as well, as money. There were those who had work diligently week after week donating their service for this project only to be let down when it did not materialize. And this had nothing to do with lack of money. How do you explain this to our young people when you can’t understand it yourself? Especially when they go into other communities and see what these communities are doing and have for their young people to enjoy. Last spring several toys were purchased by the city for the parks and they were never, to this day (wintertime) been installed in the parks for the children to use. This should not have been allowed to happen but it did. This is not lack of money.

I always believed that if other small towns can prosper and move forward in difficult and trying times so can we. We must educate ourselves about what is available for us and work together for the common goal in securing items and services for our city.

I wish the new board God’s speed, and hope that the board will take the people into consideration when decisions are made. Especially those decisions that will affect our children, city, and our voters. I did the best job that I could under some very strenuous circumstances and I know that it has made me a more compassionate person. I have had many doors closed in my face because of the color of my skin and because of my gender. Am I bitter? No, not at all because I know that I am wonderfully made by a loving God and that he made me in his image.

I pray that I’m blessed to live to see the day when we will all be known as human beings and race or gender will not be an issue of concern. Since this is my last official meeting as Commissioner, I wish each of you a wonderful holiday season and a very Happy New Year.

Thank you,  
Commissioner Barbara Yandal”

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The following Letters to Santa are from Fulton County Preschoolers in **Ms. Tracey Ellegood and Ms. Bridget Atwill's** class:

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll. I want a pen that talks. I want a princess. I want a Lalaloopsy. I want a baby animal. I want a cow. I want a Doctor bag so I can put a Band Aid on my doll.  
Autumn Hamil

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie with a laptop. Some make-up just like Camille's. I want some pajamas with Christmas lights on them. I want a movie about the princesses. I want a telephone for my mommy, a Christmas movie for my daddy, a Scooby haunted movie for my sister. I want some red apples for my sister too, she loves red apples.  
Rylee Jayne Young

Dear Santa,  
I want a car, a truck, a motorcycle, a bicycle, and new Spiderman pajamas.  
Tyrone Johnson

Dear Santa,  
I want a basketball, a soccer ball, a snake because I want to cut it. I want a tattoo. A phone. I want a pink and yellow stamp to put on my hand.  
Jhakia Smith

Dear Santa,  
I want drums so I can beat on them. I want a Barbie house so I can put ponies, horses, and Barbie's in it. I want a phone, a play phone so I can call my momma and tell her to take me to the Dollar Store.  
Chloey Staples

Dear Santa,  
I want a toy, a dump truck. I dig sand in it. I want to have a tractor too. I put sand in it to.  
Colin Goodson

Dear Santa,  
I want books. The cat one, and the monkey one and the dog one. I want a baby doll and a fake gun. I want a truck. I needs pots for my chicken. I needs eggs and beans and a banana for my baby doll to eat.  
Ra'Querla Beard

Dear Santa,  
I want some lip gloss, some princess make-up. I want a chicken casserole with pork chops. I want Tinkerbell boots.  
Camille Hendrix

Dear Mom and Dad,  
I want a Superman Cape and a Superman mask. I want to scare Santa Claus. I want a Spiderman too.  
Lee Uzzle

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie. I want new boots and new shoes. Can you bring a car seat for the baby? I want a purse and some lip gloss to go in my purse.  
Aaliyah Morgan

Dear Santa,  
I want a Spiderman toy. A Spiderman puzzle.  
Brayden Eakes

Dear Santa,  
I want a deer and a horse. I want a pink horse. I want 5 deer to put in my bedroom. I want 5 horses to put in my bedroom so I can play with them.  
Jaklynn Perez

Dear Santa,  
I want some lipgloss. I want some Chapstick, cause you always bring me some. I want you to bring me a princess toy.  
Nesia Corrigan

Dear Santa,  
I want a Easy Bake Oven, I want a ice cream machine, I want a snow cone machine, I want a lollipop machine, and just one Barbie and that's all.  
Lexie Eakes

Dear Santa,  
I want a dress and a microphone.  
Averi Johnson

The following Christmas Wish Letters were written by **Miss Kim Gooch's and Ms. Monika Bodon's** Preschool classroom at Fulton County Elementary School:

Dear Santa,  
I hope the reindeer are ready to fly. For Christmas, I would like a tractor and a combine, and the John Deere case. DO NOT forget the presents!  
Love,  
Brayden Burkeen

Dear Santa,  
I tried to be really good and for Christmas, I want a dragon, an ogre, some knights, and the Eagle Talon Castle.  
Love,  
Andrew Crumble

Dear Mom and Dad,  
I have been working hard at school and I've even been a big girl too! I have been thinking and I hope you can get me a frog toy with polka dots on his back, some paint brushes and some paint. I love you and thank you.  
Love,  
Lexi Uzzle

Dear Santa,  
I love you and I hope you are bringing presents. I want to get a Spongebob flashlight and a castle. That's it...and I will give you some milk.  
Love,  
Manuel Cortez

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I am fine. I been working real hard and helping dad too. For Christmas I want to get some Spiderman stuff, some Batman stuff, and some Alien stuff, oh and a flashlight too. Be careful in your sleigh! Bye.  
Love,  
Carter Adams

Dear Santa,  
Hello Santa Claus. How are you doing? I will try to make you some cookies. For Christmas, I would like a new book and a new puzzle.  
Love,  
Aiyana Jones

Dear Santa,  
Hello Santa. I like Cinderella and Princes Tiana. I love you Santa Clause. Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Taylor Major

Dear Santa,  
Hello Santa, how are you doing? I hope you are ready to bring the presents and Miss Clause is cooking for you. I will get you some cookies. I would like a Drawing Castle and some new books for Christmas, and some things to write with. Thank you, I love you!  
Love,  
Kenthia Thomas

Dear Santa,  
How are your reindeer? I hope they are ready to fly your sleigh. I have been working very hard at school, and for Christmas I hope I can get a big toy boat and an astronaut to play with. I love you Santa and thank you.  
Love,  
Brandon Smith

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I been fine and I worked verrry hard at school. I am a good friend. For Christmas I would like to have a dream light and a ballerina. I would play with them a lot. Thank you and I love you.  
Love,  
Kinnidy Davis

Dear Santa,  
Hi Santa, how are you? I am fine and I been good, too sometimes. I hope you land on my house and I can hear the reindeer. I will make some cookies for them and you too. For Christmas I would like to get a dream light pillow and this jumping thing (he knows what it is miss kim) and maybe a real BB gun just like Carson's because I am getting big just like Carson! That's all. Bye.  
Love,  
Triston Freeman Parker

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas. I want iPad and games. Bye. Thank you.  
Love,  
Jamual Taylor

Dear Santa,  
I know you are busy. I hope you fed your reindeer they need to eat like my dogs. For Christmas, I want to get some Alligator Stompies, and The Toy Story Game and that's it. I want to say I love you and thank you so much.  
Love,  
Collin DeHart

Dear Santa,  
Hello Santa Clause. How is Miss Clause? Don't forget to feed your deer. I have been working very hard and try to be real good. For Christmas, I would like to have a new necklace, a bracelet, a ring, and a watch. Maybe a dream light, too.  
Love,  
Emmarie Cermak

Dear Santa,  
Hello. Can I get a LaLa Loopsy and a Christmas Tree? I love you Santa and the reindeer, too!  
Love,  
Tallas Mitchell

Dear Santa,  
I hope it you can make it to my house for Christmas. I been good and help with stuff and things. For Christmas I would like to have a fire truck with a working ladder and parts that move and a fire hose you can really put water in and maybe some Spiderman toys. Merry Christmas to you.  
Love,  
Keaton Goodson

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas to you and Miss Clause. For Christmas I would like to get an iPad and that is all I really want. Thank you.  
Love,  
Rashaunna Houston

Dear Santa  
I hope you can help each and every child in FCEMS and FCHS have a wondrous holiday season with their family. Merry Christmas to all and wishing you a very Happy and prosperous New Year! May God richly bless your lives.  
Love,  
Miss Kim Gooch

The following Letters to Santa are from **Miss Anna Ligos and Miss Pam Bennett's** Preschool class at Fulton County Elementary School:

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas is a batman and car.  
Love,  
Kael O'Malley

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas is a Monster High Barbie, a Gymnastic Dora Doll, and a Kindle Fire.  
Love,  
Chloe McClure

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas is a pink bike – just a bike.  
Love,  
Jakylee Kinney

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas is a hippopotamus. A flying airplane and helicopter and I want a time machine. Ain't that cool.☺  
Love,  
Cooper Scott

Dear Santa Claus,

All I want for Christmas is an Easy Bake Oven. I want pottery. I want a pink Barbie car. I want a new purple bike.  
Love,  
Jade Thorpe

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas is a snake bike. That's it.  
Love,  
Tristen Gascoigne

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas is a Barbie bike and a new baby doll that crawls. I want a Barbie kitchen. I want Kennna to have a LaLa Loopsy bike with a baby seat.  
Love,  
Myleigh Jones

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas is a Barbie scooter and a Barbie doll that has Dora on her back. And I want a picture of my momma, and Gentry needs new pajamas.  
Love,  
Justyce Kimmons

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas is a girls Barbie and a high chair for my baby doll, a big, pink boat that I can get in.  
Love,  
Zoey Staples

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas is a Walkie Talkie and a walking baby.  
Love,  
Presley Eakes

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas is a pink Barbie doll and a pink Barbie house. A real dog.  
Love,  
Alaina Sheppard

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas is a big 4 wheeler, and a hot dog toy. Last time they gave me a real hot dog with a bun, too! (laughing)  
Love,  
Joshua Hobbs

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas is a choo choo train – a football.  
Love,  
Ricky Johnson

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas is toys – necklace.  
Love,  
Carolina Freeman

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas is Sponge Bob Square Pants, Patrick, Squiggles, and Mr. Crabs and Crabby patties.  
Love,  
Zyian Frame

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas is toys.  
Love,  
Nick Allen

**Ms. Trina Campbell's and Ms. Ella Mae Smith's** Preschoolers at Fulton County Elementary School wrote the following Letters to Santa:

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a pole-go-stick and a 3D D.S.  
Ethan Ballard

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a toy E.R. Thank you.  
Johnathan Bannister

Dear Santa Claus,  
Santa, It's snowing outside. I want cars.  
Quindrick Beard

Dear Santa Claus,  
Thank you for my D.S. and my dog. And I want an X-Box and a new TV.  
Thank you,  
E'Drece Bonds

Dear Santa Claus,  
Thank you. I want some presents.  
Nevaeh Cheirs

Dear Santa Claus,  
Happy Thanksgiving. An Angry Bird set.  
Dillon Collins

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Wii, it's a game, an X-Box 360, a DSI and a PS2 for my sister cause her's is old. I got to get another one for her.  
Thank you,  
Jayceon Crumble

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a gingerbread book. I want a Dora House. Ho, Ho, Ho.  
Camila Felix

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love Santa. I want a fishing pole.  
Jayla Jones

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a kitchen set. I want to say my sister wants a baby doll. I want to say thank you to my family.  
De'Triona Kinney

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love you Santa. I want an X-Box 360, iPod 3 with games on it, Football 9 and Kickball 7. I love Ms. Trina. I do good grades and I make my manners.  
Love,  
Caden Kimble

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want lotion and candy.  
Yazmin Lazo

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a choo-choo train and a Hot Wheels Spin Track and Hot Wheels. Thank you at the end of my letter.  
Aiden Poore

Dear Santa Claus,  
Ho, Ho, Ho, Merry Christmas. I would like to get a Captain America move.  
Chandler Rutherford

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a letter, a toy letter. Bring me a present.  
Jaleeha Smith

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love Santa Claus. I want a light up mermaid and I'm going to put it in the bath tub and it's going to change colors.  
Love, Miriam, me.  
Miriam Varden



**READY TO VISIT SANTA** - Ella Cagle, daughter of John and Amanda Cagle was ready to see Santa dressed in her holiday best at River Valley Ag Credit on November 30. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

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**PARADE PARTICIPANT** - Cayce Jones, Pecan Princess 2012, is dressed up warm as she rides in style during the Hickman Christmas Parade held on Saturday, Dec. 15. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

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Fulton County Elementary students in **Ms. Carla McClure's Kindergarten** class wrote the following Letters to Santa:

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! You're the best! Can I have an X box or a Wii. I have been good. I like you so much. Do you like spaghetti, if you want some you have some at my house.  
Love,  
Donell Lipscomb

Dear Santa,  
I like you very much. How is your reindeer? For Christmas, would you please bring me a Barbie House, a Barbie doll, and a? I will leave some milk and cookies for you. I love you!  
Love,  
Allie Grace Jones

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! Can I pet your reindeer? I want a Wii game and my daddy. When you come to my house, my brothers and sisters and I will leave you some milk and cookies by the tree.  
Love,  
Brandon Johnson

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! I have been a good girl! I need a Barbie house, a mermaid doll, and an iPad. You can leave something else if you want to. I will make you some marsh mellow cookies and put them under the tree. I want to know why it is so cold at the North Pole!  
Love,  
Diamond Mitchell

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. Have you been good this year? All I want for Christmas is a 4 wheeler to go hunting, and a Remote Control Helicopter. You can have some chocolate milk and cookies at my house. Don't forget where I live.  
Love,  
Cody Stewart

Dear Santa,  
Why is your nose red like a cherry? I want an X-box 360 and a video game and a bicycle. Can you bring my sister a doll?  
Hey, I want to know if I can have an elf, too.  
Love,  
Emadd Howard

Dear Santa,  
I like the reindeer! My mom said I have been good. Can I have one present? I want a Lalaloopsy. There will be some gingerbread cookies and a Dr. Pepper for you. My sisters have been good, too. Can you bring them something? I wonder why the elves are so teeny tiny.  
Love,  
Emelia Wheeler

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! Can I pet your reindeer? I love you and I have been good this year. I want a gymnastics mat, a tablet, and a doll. I will leave you some cookies to eat while you are at my house. Can you tell me how the reindeer fly?  
Love,  
Emry Ellingburg

Dear Santa,  
How are the elves? Are you ready for Christmas? My brother wants something. You can take a break at my house and have some milk and cookies that I will bake for you. I want a Razor that is pink with black stripes, an iPad, and a Baby Alive.  
Love,  
Hannah Murphy

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! I will leave you some milk and cookies. I want an iPad, some new school clothes, and some new pajamas. Do your reindeer really fly? I

have been good and I will leave you some milk and cookies.  
Love,  
James Carson Parker

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! Are you going to come to my house? I want a lunch box for Christmas. I want some toys, too. There will be some cookies and milk for you. Can I have an Ipod or a phone? Don't forget my sister wants a baby doll, and my brother wants a game.  
Love,  
Jadairian Smith

Dear Santa,  
What do your reindeer eat? I want an X-box, a bicycle and a football and helmet. I am going to be good so you can come to my house and see me. Do you like cookies?  
Love,  
Javarious Ghoulson

Dear Santa,  
Can I have one of your elves? I want a toy that dances, a remote control car and helicopter, and batteries, and that's it. My sister has been good and so has my brother.  
Love,  
Ashden Thomas

Dear Santa,  
Can I pet your reindeer? I want a remote control spider, a hunting game, and a dead alien. I have been good and so has my little brother. We will leave you some cookies and milk by our Christmas tree. Merry Christmas!  
Love,  
Javen Kimmons

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. When you come to my house you can have some cookies and a Dr. Pepper and I will leave some carrots for the reindeer. I want a 4 wheeler, a robot to clean my room, and a Santa doll. How do you get to all the places on earth?  
Love,  
Kylee Harrison

Dear Santa,  
How are you? Can you really give me presents? I have been good. I want a toy horse, a racecar, and I don't know what else. You will like my Christmas tree. You can have some cookies that me and my mama made for you.  
Love,  
Phoebe Patterson

Dear Santa,  
How are you? Is it cold at your house? How are the reindeer? I want an iPad, some new clothes and a doll. We will put some cookies next to the Christmas tree.  
Love,  
Yharia Bolden

Dear Santa,  
How is your wife doing? I have been good and I want a mermaid doll, a Barbie house and some Barbies. My brothers and I will leave some cookies and milk for you.  
Love,  
Fairyn Thomas

Dear Santa,  
Do you have the reindeer ready? I want a baby waddle and walk with me doll, a Monster High doll, and some make-up. I have been good. We are making cookies for you that are shaped like the ornaments and they have pretty icing on them. I will leave you a glass of milk, cause that's what I like.  
Love,  
Mylei Sims

Dear Santa,  
I have been very good this year! I am ready for you to come to my house. Can I have a gag

pack and a 3ds?  
Merry Christmas! I will leave you some chocolate milk to drink.  
Love,  
Madelyn White

Dear Santa,  
Can I have a Santa hat like yours? I have been waiting on you to come to see me. I want a new coat and an iPad. I will leave you some turkey and juice. Do you have a long beard?  
Love,  
Samarya Newberry

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! I am a very good girl and I want to see you. Can I have a Barbie doll and an easy bake oven and a kitchenette? Do you like cookies? You can have some at my house.  
Love,  
Tatyana Houle

Dear Santa,  
How is Rudolph? Is he getting ready to fly? Can I have a fire truck and some new toys? I have been a good boy this year. I will leave you some cookies.  
Love,  
Skylar Massey

Dear Santa,  
Ho, Ho, Ho! Merry Christmas! I have been a good boy. I want some presents in my stocking.  
Love,  
Hezekiah Smith

Dear Santa,  
I have been pretty good this year. Have you been good? I want an iPad, a fox and some clothes. How is Mrs. Claus? I love you, Santa Claus!  
Love,  
Maleah Price

Dear Santa,  
I wonder how you will get in my house. I don't have a chimney, so you will have to use my front door. Can you bring me some Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, and a Spongebob and Patrick toy? I will leave you a glass of milk and some cookies.  
Love,  
Tristan Kinney

Dear Santa,  
How many elves do you have? I want a blue light Saber, a Ninja Turtle van, and Splinter, the Ninja Turtle Master, and a trash pack. We will probably leave you milk and cookies. My sister probably needs some new clothes.  
Love,  
Landon Cole

Kindergarten students at Fulton County Elementary School in **Ms. Nelda Morgan's class** wrote the following Letters to Santa:

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a doll and a rocking chair. I want a toy laptop computer.  
Love,  
Tayla Barnett

Dear Santa,  
I want a dollhouse, some Barbie dolls, and a gingerbread house. Please bring me a bike and a kite, and some markers.  
Love,  
Chrisstahl Gordon

Dear Santa,  
I want Toy Story movie and some surprises.  
Love,  
Jahamal Cheers

Dear Santa,  
Can you bring me new shoes and some shirts? I want a snowboard and Dance 2 CD.  
Love,  
Tamarris Crumble

Dear Santa,  
I want a remote control truck that has machine guns on it. I want an Adventure set of wild animals. I want a monster that looks like a dragon, but it breathes out water instead of fire. I want a Nerf machine gun. I will give you cookies.  
Love,  
Jackson Major

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Barbie dollhouse with bedrooms. I want an Ipad so my sister can play on it. I want some house slippers that pop to life when you jump. I want some baby dolls and I want some new shoes.  
Love,  
Issabella Cornett

Dear Santa,  
I want a pink bicycle, a Kelly Barbie and "Princess and the Pop Star" movie and a pink dress. I want high heels and an iPod.  
Love,  
Melody Rose Allen

Dear Santa,  
I want a remote control monster truck and a Wii. I want a gingerbread man and some pencils.  
Love,  
James Evans

Dear Santa,  
All I want for Christmas is my 2 front teeth! But please bring me

a DS, a robot and a monster truck, too. I will lay some chocolate chip cookies on the table for you.  
Love,  
LeeLee Thompson

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a basketball goal. I need a basketball, too. I want a Spiderman web shooter and Angry Bird DS game.  
Love,  
Xavier Taylor

Dear Santa,  
I want a Power Ranger Wii game, a robot that can move, a Nintendo Ds game, a train, and a remote control truck.  
Love,  
Johnny Browning

Dear Santa,  
I want a trampoline and a red motorcycle. I want a big robot that fights and walks.  
Love,  
Jay'dynn Darcus

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a DS and a black puppy. I want an I Pod and 2 new skylanders. I want a gumball machine, too. I have chocolate chip cookies and milk in the living room for you.  
Love,  
Ryan Prehoda

Dear Santa,  
I want a little set that has a mop and a bucket. I need a DS to go in my bedroom and a computer. Please bring me a beautiful blue dress with earrings and some blue high heels. I will put milk and cookies on the table for you.  
Love,  
Sierra Duty

Dear Santa,  
I want a black puppy.  
Love,  
Will Holmes

Dear Santa,  
Can I have Angry Birds set for me and Dylan? I want a choo-choo train set and a Mario game. I would like red cars and trucks, too. I will leave milk and cookies for you.  
Love,  
Ethan Collins  
PS I have been good this year.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Dreamlight Ladybug, a Barbie dollhouse and some pink stompies. Ethan needs a rattle. Bradley is too big for toys. I have been good this year.  
Love,  
Alaynia Webb

Dear Santa,  
I'd like to have an Ipad and I want a puppy and a red Power Ranger. Can you bring me a basketball goal and a ball with it? I have chocolate chip cookies in the oven for you.  
Love,  
Jayden Smith

Dear Santa,  
I want a bouncy ball, a baby doll, a pink bike and some movies: Olivia with an umbrella. We will put cookies in the living room for you.  
Love,  
Danyelle Huffman

Dear Santa,  
I want a new Xbox because my old one is broken. Can I have a lunchbox: a Transformer one and a soldier set? I've been good this year. I'll have cookies at the kitchen table.  
Love,  
Ben Washburn  
PS I want a playhouse.

Dear Santa,  
Can I have a horse that wears flowers? I want a Kitten and a Corduroy book. I have something under my Christmas tree for you.  
Love,  
Rita Barrientos  
PS I have been good.

Dear Santa,  
Can I have a new dog? A black lab would be great. I need a new 4 wheeler because Broc's is broken. Mom is baking cookies for you. They will be on the table. Broc and I have been good.  
Love,  
Braxton Bridges

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a 4 wheeler, a blue car and a train track. I want a little ball with colors on it. I have been good.  
Love,  
Alex Duncan

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Kindle and a new Wii at my dad's house. I want a new bicycle at my dad's house, too. I will leave gingerbread cookies. Allie Grace and Seth and I put on the icing. Look under the tree for them.  
Love,  
Noah Jones

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a real pony. I want a Barbie doll and some paper and pencils, too. I will put chocolate cookies on the table for you. I have been good.  
Love,  
Haunalaya Ledsinger

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The following Letters to Santa are from **Carol Coulson’s first grade class:**

Dear Santa,  
Our class is the best class ever. I would like a 4-wheeler.  
Logan Griffith

Dear Santa,  
I’m in the first grade at FCES. Please bring me fake nails, Just Dance 4 and make up.  
Thanks,  
Ty’Airriah Freeman

Dear Santa,  
I am 6 years old. I’m in first grade. I can’t wait until Christmas. I want a tea set, doctor set and DS.  
Thank You,  
Makenna Kilpatrick

Dear Santa,  
I am 7 years old and in the first grade. I want a pink laptop, Monster High dolls and don’t forget a E-Z Baker.  
Thank You,  
Guadalupe Barrientos

Dear Santa,  
I will be good for Christmas. I will give you some cookies and milk. I want an iPod and Hello Kitty, and a real camera.  
Thank You,  
Alexis Smith

Dear Santa,  
I am 7 years old. I want an iPad, a real phone and a trampoline. I’ll leave you cookies and milk.  
Love you,  
Myleigh Adams

Dear Santa,  
I am good all year. I would like an iPod, bull frog shoes and nail polish. Don’t forget my sisters and brothers.  
Love,  
Amya Johnson

Dear Santa,  
I like my Christmas presents you gave me last year. I am 7 years old and for Christmas I would like makeup, a kitchen, cupcakes with make up in the box.  
Love,  
Karla Rutherford

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I would like a Lego batman 2 helicopter and a camera. Don’t forget my brother Cameron.  
Love,  
Christian Smith

Dear Santa,  
I have tried to be good all year. Santa, I want an iPod, trampoline and a fun E-Z Baker.  
Love,  
Ella Cagle

Dear Santa,  
I’m in the first grade, I’m being really good. I want a real BB gun and an Xbox 360 and the game Wipeout. Please Santa can you get me all that stuff?  
Love,  
Vinny Martin

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Santa? I would like an X-Box 360 and a BB gun.  
Love,  
Que Ross

Dear Santa,  
I hope that Rudolph’s nose is OK. I would like make-up, a notebook, and a 3-D-S. Don’t forget my sisters Virginia and Mimi.  
Love,  
Hannah Varden

Dear Santa,  
I’m in the first grade at FCES. Please bring me fake nails, Just Dance 4 and make-up.  
Love  
Ty’airriah Freeman

Dear Santa,  
I’m 6 years old and in first grade. I would like a dirt bike and Legos. I will leave you milk and cookies under the tree.  
Love,  
Daejon Hendrix

Dear Santa,  
I can’t wait foe Christmas! I would like two jewelry boxes, Barbies and some Legos. Don’t forget my brothers Austin and Gavin.  
Love,  
Destiny Barnes

Dear Santa,  
I can’t wait until Christmas! I would like a dirtbike, an x-Box 360, a Skylander Giant and a girlfriend. Don’t forget my baby sister and my brother.  
Love,  
Nyjah Montgomery

Dear Santa,  
My classmates and I are the best class in the whole world. I would like a Skylander Giant, Batman Legos, and Epic Mickey II. Don’t forget my little brother.  
Love,  
Connor O’Malley  
**Ms. Wendy Stewart’s First Grade** wrote the following Santa letters:

Dear Santa,  
I like Legos, tinkr toys and Clifford. I like Angry Birds, too. Surprises are nice, too.  
Your friend,  
Devin Morgan

Dear Santa,  
Can I have a computer? Can I have a Wii and some games?  
Love,  
Kamorian Hendrix

Dear Santa,  
I want an Xbox 360. I want a trailer truck. I want a Hot wheel truck. I am good at school.  
Love,  
Tommy Thomas

Dear Santa,  
I love Christmas. I have been good. Please bring me a bunk bed and a doll house. I want a robot and a book about Corduroy.  
Your friend,  
Tristen Wilson

Dear Santa,  
I love Christmas. I am good. I want a dog. I want an Ipad. I want a fake cat.  
Your friend,  
Natalee Baggett

Dear Santa,  
I love what you gave me last year. May I have Novistars? I have been good. Can I have a stuffed panda? May I have LaLa Loopsy?  
Your friend,  
Chloe Eddington  
PS Don’t forget my sister and brothers.

Dear Santa,  
I love what you gave me last year. I’m going to be good. Please bring me a baby doll, a beach ball and a zebra cover for my bed.  
Love,  
Madison Forrest

Dear Santa,  
I love Christmas. I am good every year. I want a LaLa Loopsy. I want a puppy. I want a computer.  
Your friend,  
Emma Smith

Dear Santa,  
I love what you gave me last year. I have been good. Please bring Taisha a rocking horse, 2 skates for me, and a big red piggy bank for Tallas.  
Thank you, your friend,  
Autumn Mitchell

Dear Santa,  
I love Christmas. I have been good. I want a DS and a doll.  
Your friend,  
Kaylen Barnett

Dear Santa,  
I love what you gave me last year. I have been good. Can I have 3 DS6s? One is for me, one is for Tayla and one is for Jasmine. Can I have a dirt bike? Can I have a 4 wheeler?  
Your friend,  
Elijah Barnett

Dear Santa,  
Christmas is my favorite and I have been pretty good. I would like to have a new Mindflex game because I accidentally lost my other one, but if you can’t bring one, I’d like a robot. I like you Santa.  
Your friend,  
James Dalton McMillin

Dear Santa,  
I love Christmas because it is baby Jesus’ birthday. I try to be a champ. I want a pink DS and wisdom like Solomon in the Bible.  
Your friend,  
A’marese Esters

Dear Santa,  
I love what you gave me last year. I was good last year. I want a baby doll and a DS. And also I want a new backpack . And give my cousin M’Ariyah a baby toy and bring Emadd a toy train and bring my nana a ring.  
Your friend,  
Envvyah Caldwell

Dear Santa,  
I love Christmas because we all get presents. I have been good. I want some cars. Can I get a robot? Can I get a play motorcycle?  
Your friend,  
Felix Jackson  
PS I live on 6<sup>th</sup> Street

Dear Santa,  
I want a candle. I want a baby doll. I want some crayons. I want a puzzle. I want paper, scissors, and glue.  
Your friend,  
Chrisshyllia Gordon

Dear Santa,  
I am a girl in first grade. I have the best Christmas tree ever. Please bring me a DS, a kite and a little doll Christmas tree and a diamond ring for mom.  
Your friend,  
Alexis Stone

Dear Santa,  
I wish you a Merry Christmas. I want a Nintendo 3 DS, new Super Mario, 3D land and a Nintendo 3 DS for my sister. And a diamond ring for mom.  
Your friend,  
Ellie Worley

**Ms. Shelly Acree’s Class second grade class** wrote the following Letters to Santa:

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love you and I want some high heels that have you on them. I want a laptop, an Ipad, and a phone. And everything that goes with Monster high.  
Love,  
Destiny Gordon

Dear Santa Claus,  
Did you have a good day? I did. I want a good Christmas. Can you give me a phone? Can you give me a Wii and can you try to give me an Xbox 360, some clothes and some shoes?  
From,  
Tyavious Isbell

Dear Santa,  
I love Christmas! Could you bring me a DS2, an electric scooter, and Epic Mickey? And I’ll put out milk and cookies.  
Your friend,  
Jamie’cia McFarland  
PS. I was so good.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love you. I want Monster high make up, lip gloss, and a Monster high bed. I want the Monster high dress and high heels and the notebooks. I want a Barbie doll, Hello Kitty lip gloss and a Monster high coloring book.  
Your friend,  
Arieyanna Warren

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love Christmas. Can you bring the car like last year? I will leave cookies.  
Love,  
Zeke Corrigan

Dear Santa Claus,  
What are you doing today? I want Tori and Keira dolls and shimmer n sparkle. I want Barbie photo fashion and Barbie on the cruise ship. I want a glow in the dark pillow and glow in the dark blanket and a computer. I want monster high make up and games and monster high covers and lunch box. I want some clothes and shoes and a cotton candy maker.  
Your friend,  
Amyia Tralace Sanders

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love Christmas. May I have a scooter, an Xbox 360, a bike, and a toy train? I have been good. When you get to my house, I will have cookies and milk.  
Your friend,  
Rez Westbrook

Dear Santa Claus,

You are the best man in the world. What do you do in the spring and summer? Will you please bring me Wii games, a car and a DS? I love you.  
Your friend,  
Tristan Swift

Dear Santa Claus,  
Thank you for the toy car you gave me last year. I just want to be with my family this year.  
Your friend, Jason Mathews

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love what you gave me last year, Santa Claus. When you come to my house there will be some cookies for you on the table in the kitchen. Christmas is fun because people get to spread cheers across the world. I want an Ipad, wrestling thirteen, an Ipod and a dirt bike. I want something for Mrs. Morgan. Let me get a game for her and her son.  
Your friend,  
J’shon Jones

Dear Santa,  
I love Christmas. May I get some Christmas glasses, a game, a skateboard and poinsettias, please?  
And summer sausage. I’m going to make cookies and milk for you and carrots for the reindeer and put them on the coffee table. I’ve been good.  
Your friend,  
Damon Jakob Schmidt

Dear Santa,  
I can’t wait til Christmas. Please may I have a phone? Please may I have a DSI 3D?

Please may I have an Epic Mickey?  
Your friend,  
Omarion Tue’kwon Pierce  
PS I will save you milk and cookies.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I can’t wait until Christmas. Please give me a Mario Galaxy game for an Xbox 360. Can I have a collection of cars? And a little car to play with? I have been good this week end. Don’t forget my brother and sister, Gavin and Destiny. I have cookies for you.  
Your friend,  
Austin Burnes

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love Christmas, too and I want a candy cane lip gloss and a Barbie doll and a Hello Kitty CD player. I got Granny some gifts, too.  
Your friend,  
Ky’Aira Couch

Dear Santa,  
I love your hat! Can I have it? I would wear it and look like you. I want all of the super heroes, and I need paper to work on my letters.  
Your friend,  
Ulysses Odoms





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**ALL WKC** - Six players from the Fulton County Pilots Football team were recently named to the ALL WKC (Western Kentucky Conference) team. Those players include: (front row, l to r) Ricky Bagley, Matthew Bodon, Damontrell Pierce, JaMaal Crumble, Octavious Smith; (back row, l to r) Daman Roach and Head Coach Deatrik Kinney. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

## Pierce

the Kentucky squad January 9 through January 11. They will play the Tennessee squad on January 12 in the Kentucky-Tennessee Border Bowl at University of the Cumberlands in Williamsburg, Ky. They will play at 12:30 p.m. at James H. Taylor, II Stadium. “This is where the best of Kentucky will play the best of Tennessee,” added Coach Kinney. Pierce was chosen out of 150 applicants interested in having the opportunity to play with other outstanding football players from Kentucky. “The Border Bowl is a non-profit organization established to promote high school football in Kentucky and Tennessee. The objective is to provide an

All-Star Game featuring the top players in Kentucky and Tennessee. This game allows players to have the opportunity to play, practice, and battle it out for the rights to the border. It also allows high school seniors an opportunity to gain additional exposure and, perhaps, earn a scholarship for college,” states their website. This is the sixth year the border bowl is being played and each player is treated like an all-star from the time they check into camp until they leave for home. Kentucky players will wear blue and Tennessee players will dress out in orange. Over the first five years Tennessee has come out on top four out of the five years the bowl has been played.


Pierce would like to play football in college and plans on studying to be an athletic trainer and coach. He follows in the footsteps of other football standouts from Fulton County to be named to the Kentucky-Tennessee All Star team including James Bridges, Jamie Alexander, and Jacob Goodman. Pierce, the son of Anthony Pierce of Hickman and Brenda Pierce of Princeton, Ky., was also named to the All WKC (West Kentucky Conference) first team. Also named to the squad were JaMaal Crumble, Octavious Smith, Ricky Bagley, Damian Roach, and Matthew Bodon.

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**Ms. Beverly Claybrooks' second grade class** at Fulton County Elementary wrote the following Letters to Santa:

Dear Santa,  
I hope I've been good! I hope my sister and brother have been good too. The three presents I want are a pup, a doll and a big toy car.  
Love,  
Azariah Busby

Dear Santa,  
How are your reindeer? I hope you have enough presents. My top two things I want are a Star Wars game and Legos.  
Love,  
Luke Jackson

Dear Santa,  
Have I been a good boy this year? Here are my top three things I want. An Xbox, iPhone and money. P.S. Will you give my Papa a combine.  
Love,  
Braden Costello.

Dear Santa,  
I have tries to be good but can you send an elf to watch me? I want a Wii, X-Box, super Mario and a Nurf Gun.  
Love,  
Nesota Thomas

Dear Santa,  
I have been good, I would like an iPad, a 3DS and an iPhone. Don't forget my sisters and brother. I also want a real elf.  
Love,  
Reagan Warlick

Dear Santa,  
Is it to late to be good? Are your elves feeling good? Are you going eat lots of cookies and milk? Here are the three things I want for Christmas. A penguin submarine and a flat bill hat and a dirt bike.  
Love,  
Carson Parker

Dear Santa,  
I've been bad but you can bring me something anyway. I would like a Life Brix and the

new Star Wars Angry Birds and can I have an iPod?

Love,  
Isaiah Smith

Dear Santa,  
I want an elf for Christmas. I want my elf to be Anna. If Anna is good I will give her cookies with milk. P.S. If Anna the elf had to leave Hickman I say please bring two elves for my sisters.  
Love,  
Kaylee Young

Dear Santa,  
Buddy has been a great elf and all I want for Christmas is to spend time with my family and go somewhere far, far, away on a Christmas vacation. Oh! P.S. Whatever my mommy wants can you please give it to her.  
Love,  
Jaylia Kinney

Dear Santa,  
Christopher Pop-in-Kins has done a lot of mischief at my house. I'm trying my best to be good. May I have a Captain Britain toy a jet plane box set and a Lord of the Rings battle of Helms Deep. Whatever my dad wants, please give it to him.  
Love,  
Calix Coulson

Dear Santa,  
Santa Claus, I hope that you and your elves are doing well. Can I ask you now the three things I want for Christmas? I want a Phono and a computer and some fake money for Christmas.  
Love,  
Shana Papierski

Dear Santa,  
I've been trying to be a good boy and I am. Please bring me a skateboard, and a 3D's and don't forget my little brother. Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Wesley Brown

Dear Santa,  
I tried to be good. I hope I

get presents this year. So, this is what I want. A baby puppy, and an iPod and a Christmas belt.

Love,  
Rhiannan Eakes

Dear Santa,  
I am seven years old and in the second grade. I would like a bike and a belt and a dog and Angry Birds. I love you Santa.  
Love,  
Kyra Johnson

Dear Santa,  
I can't wait until Christmas. Would you bring me an X-Box 360 and an elf?  
Love,  
Emily Scott

Dear Santa,  
I can't wait until Dec. 25th. I want an X-Box 360 and the whole set of Lion King two and 2 telescopes, one for my brother and one for me.  
Love,  
Ian Goodman

Dear Santa,  
You're the best. I want an X-Box 360 connect, Nintendo 3D's and games for them.  
Love,  
Curtis Holmes

**Ms. Amy Rose's Third grade class** at Fulton County Elementary School wrote the following letters to Santa:

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the dirt bike and the gun. I rode the dirt bike all summer! This year I want some new dirt bike clothes, but most of all I want a goose call and a good duck call from Gander Mountain.  
Your Friend,  
Myles Amberg

Dear Santa,  
Thank you so much for the Xbox360 you gave me last year. This year I want a PlayStation 3, Wii, dirt bike, games, and to go to Las Vegas. Don't forget the rest of my family!  
Your Friend,  
Elijah Boyd

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the remote control car you gave me last year. This year I would like Cabela's Dangerous Hunts 2013, Android, remote control helicopter, and an iPod Touch 5. Make sure you don't forget my brother and sister.  
Love,  
Bradley Burkeen

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the Flashback 3 game you got me last year. I've had so much fun with it. This year I want a skateboard, clothes, and shoes. Don't forget my brother and sister. I will leave some cookies and milk out for you. Tell Rudolph and Dancer that I said hi! I hope you have a Merry Christmas!  
Love,  
Ashianna Cheirs

Dear Santa,  
Thank you so much for the Squinky Amusement Park you got me last year. I've had so much fun with it this year. This Christmas I want some Lego Friends. Don't forget my two sisters!  
Love,  
Reagan Ellingburg

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the air pump, candy, Nintendo games, NBA basketball, and the remote control jeep you brought me for Christmas last year. I've had so much fun with them! This year I want some BBs for my gun, and a remote control helicopter. Molly and Bentley have been good so far. This year has been fun with them. Santa, don't forget that Christmas isn't about presents; it's about Jesus' birth!  
Your Friend,  
Chade Everett

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the Xbox 360, Flat screen TV, and the boxes of hats. This year I want a black Xbox 360, iPhone 5, iPad2, PlayStation 3, 25 in Flatscreen TV, Michael Jordan shoes, Lebron James Shoes, and Dwyane Wade shoes. Don't forget my big brother Keyon. He wants a black Xbox 360, cologne, and a Dodge Charger.  
Your Pal,

Dakyrans Gossett

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the Nintendo games, books, chocolate, and all the neat toys I got last year. I've had so much fun. This year I want a Kindle Fire, toy train, and some more books. Don't forget to get my pets a toy or two. They have been so good this year.  
Love,  
Cheyenne Hitesman

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas this year I want a PlayStation 3, some games, Laptop, and candy in my stocking by the fireplace. Don't forget my little brother and little sister. We will make some cookies for you and leave them out.  
Love,  
Skyler Johnson

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the skateboard you gave me last year. This year I want Beyblade Let it Rip set, mini scooter, and Sonic 1 and 2. Make sure you don't forget my brother and sisters.  
Your Friend,  
Terrance Johnson

Dear Santa,  
Thank you so much for the Wii and the Baby Alive you gave me last year. This year I want a video camera, American Girl doll, Wiiu, iPad, and an iPhone. Make sure you don't forget my brother and sister.  
Love  
De' Ayria Kinney

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the life size Bratz Doll, Polaroid, earrings, and bracelets you gave me for Christmas last year. This year I want An American Girl Doll, 3DS, DSi, and a ring.  
Love,  
CaShayah McClerkin

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the squinkies you gave me last year for Christmas. This year I want posters of 1 Direction, Cakepop maker, outfits, shoes, and makeup. Don't forget Belle. She's been good this year!  
Love,  
Maddy Morrison

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys, shoes, and headbands you gave me last year. This year I want a Pillow Pet, hair bow and clothes. Make sure you don't forget my brother and sister.  
Love,  
JaTavia Mosley

Dear Santa,  
I want a 3DS for Christmas. My sister wants a Barbie House, A.J. and Webbie want a PlayStation 3, Cameron wants another Xbox 360, and Brendan wants NBA 2K13. I will leave you cookies and milk.  
Love,  
Mario Turner

Dear Santa,  
Thank you so much for the DS, and Pillow Pet you gave me last year. This year I want an iPod Touch and an American Girl doll.  
Love,  
Virginia Varden

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for all the things you got me last year. This year I want an iPod, BB gun, remote control 4-wheel drive truck, and an iPhone 5.  
Your Friend,  
Chase Ward

Dear Santa,  
Thank you so much for the shoes, PlayStation 3, Monster High, and bike you gave me last year. This year I want an iPad to listen to music, a Baby Alive to play with, and an elf to watch my brother.  
Love,  
Nakeshia Woodson

Dear Santa,  
Thank you so much for the bike that you got me last year. This year I want an MP3 Player, and an iPod. Don't forget my brother and sister.  
Love,  
Carly Worley

**Mrs. Christa Taylor's Third Grade Class** at Fulton County Elementary Middle School wrote the following Letters to Santa:

Dear Santa,  
How are the Elves? Santa can I please have an Xbox 360 and a Dragon Ball Z game. I want any Dragon Ball Z game, but I hope it's an Xbox 360 DBZ game. Also I want a dog and an iPod, please.  
Your friend,  
Jaylen Esters

Dear Santa,

What's up? How are your elves? Are they doing o.k.? Well...for Christmas I want a binder because I like to put paper in them and draw. I want some paper too, because I want to put it in my binder. Please get me a Nook Color and a case for it. Can I please get a lot of germX for Christmas and an iPod, please.  
Love,  
Taylor Everett

Dear Santa,  
I want a cotton candy machine, a tent, a paint set, an uptown kitchen, an iPad, Wii, Ducky Momo, a Furbie, Kindle Fire, a clock that will help me be on time, a Just Dance for a Nook Color, Stompeez slippers, fake food for my kitchen, a toy reindeer, a bouncy house, and a Snowman paint kit.  
Love your friend,  
TaMyah Crumble

Dear Santa,  
I would like an X-box, a DSi, a guitar, a necklace and bracelet set, and a nice little elf. I was a good little girl this year. Merry Christmas, Santa and have a Happy Jolly Christmas!  
Love,  
Kayleigh Thomas

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a remote control car, a Kindle, some Michael Jordan shoes, some more beyblades, and a real dog. Also, I would like an Xbox 360 Kinect, a laptop, a new PlayStation 3, a real guitar, and a DSi3 with Mario games, Sonic games, and Galaxy S 4. I have been a good little boy this year.  
Sincerely,  
Chrissawn Gordon

Dear Santa,  
What's up Santa? How are your Elves? I want an iPad because I want to play games on it. Also, I want a PSP because I can play games with my friends and I want a PSVita because you can play a PlayStation and when you go somewhere you can play the rest of it. I want a dirt bike because I want to go dirting. Merry Christmas to you and your Elves!  
Your friend,  
Jequan Warren

Dear Santa,  
I hope I am on the nice list and not on the naughty one because I want a dirt bike really bad so I can replace my Go Cart. I also want a carrier for my monkey. You're my bestest friend ever. What I really want is to be on the nice list. So, please, I'll be a good boy. I'll leave you milk and cookies under the tree and hope you have a good year.  
Your friend,  
Christopher Jo Morgan

Dear Santa,  
Are your Elves okay? Are there really flying reindeer? Am I on the good list or on the naughty list? I want a X-Box 360 and an iPad 5.  
Sincerely,  
Rodrick Beard

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas, I want a dirt bike, electric guitar, and a touch phone. I will leave out some cookies and milk for you and I will put out some oats out for the reindeer.  
From your friend,  
Seth Gascoigne

To Santa at the North Pole,  
For Christmas I want a iPad to play cool games on. Please bless me with a baby sister. Please give me a dirt bike for Christmas, too. I want lots of presents for Christmas, too. I'll have cookies for you, too. I have been very good.  
Love,  
Lamarious Stray

Hello Santa,  
How are you doing? What I want for Christmas is a laptop because I can type up papers for school, like my Spelling. How is Mrs. Clause doing and how are you and your reindeer doing? What else I want for Christmas is a baby cat because I can play with it and my cat can have a new friend for her to play with. I also want an Elf because it can sit on a shelf and watch me to see if I am naughty or nice. Can I please have a camo Otterbox to put on my iPod Touch. I hope you have a good Christmas and a Happy New Year. Merry Christmas, Santa!  
Sincerely,  
Breanna Riffe

Dear Santa,  
I have been watching Christmas movies ever since this morning. I felt like Christmas was here, but it was not. I watched Santa Claus is Coming to Town. It talked about how you became Santa. I like the movie ever since I was a little girl. My



**FARMALL** - Patrick Linder drove one of the three tractors that participated in the Hickman Christmas parade Saturday.

favorite commercial is Baby-alive that walks. I also want an iPod. Can you get my brother a bike and an iPod. And please get my mom a big screen TV. My Dad wants a computer. Santa, I want Christmas to be a pretty day for my whole family. I want everybody to be "happy."  
**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**  
Arkeshia Smith

Dear Santa,  
Can I please have an Orbeez Soothing Spa because I have never had one before. I want a Monster High girl doll and I forgot....How are you Elves doing? Are they working on toys? I want clothes and shoes from Justice and can I please have a iPod Touch? Can I have 3 new PSP games? Santa, I will have good milk and cookies for you? Can I have some strawberry headphones and can I have a new phone, please? Can my family please have a good Christmas? I hope you get me everything I want. Have a good Christmas! Merry Christmas!  
Love,  
Jakyla Crumble

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a Great Dane. I also want to know how your Elves are doing? How are you doing Santa? For Christmas I also want a bike because I like to ride stuff. For Christmas I also want a Green Machine, too. For Christmas I also want a puppy, too. I want to know how Mrs. Clause is doing, too.  
Sincerely,  
DiAvian Bradley

Dear Santa,  
Hey Santa! What's up? How are your Elves? Can I please have a little Christmas tree for my room because I do not have decorations in my room? I would want a little Christmas decoration in my room. I hope your Elves are ready for this Christmas. Can I please have an Easy Bake Oven because I could cook Christmas cookies and cupcakes. Also, can I please have an elf?  
Love,  
Amanda Brooke Newton

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like an X-Box 360 to play games. I would also like a violin and guitar so I can play music. I like playing with dolls so a Barbie would be nice and a cheerleader baby doll. Also, I would like to get an ice cream machine so I can eat ice cream.  
Your friend,  
Charmaine Buntyn

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Do you want some cookies or carrots? Remember when it was Christmas and you gave me a whole black trash bag filled with toys? What I want for Christmas this year is an iPad because I can download games and take pictures. I want a purple iPad. Also, I want a pair of skates that are purple and black because the ones I have are too squishy. Also, can I please, please have a laptop because my dad has one. Also, a thing I want is an Easy Baker because I want to cook. Last thing I want is a Kindle Fire because I have never had one and it has color and games.  
Your friend,  
Yaquelin Barrientos

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the gifts you gave me last year. Can I please get an X-box because I want to watch movies. I also want a black iPod so I can read. I want Call of Duty Black Ops 2 so I can play it and a Shawn White Skateboarding. I want a helicopter just my size and some shoes with wheels so I can skate with the wheel on the bottom of both shoes. I want Little Wayne to be my Big Brother and to perform a song at my house.  
Sincerely your friend,  
Jordan Pirtle

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**Fourth grade students in Ms. Ashley Reid's class** at Fulton County Elementary School wrote the following Letters to Santa:

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year, so I want an X-Box 360. The video game WWE 13, a scooter, a 200 dollar gift card to Walmart, a lap top, iPod, head phones, an iPhone 5, and everything but girl stuff. I want to be rich. A trampoline and a homework pass. Oh and can you give me a picture of an elf with you?  
Love,  
John Davis Swain

Dear Santa,  
I have been a really good girl this year.  
I want a Barbie Dream House. I would also like an Easy Bake Oven and cooking kitchen to make brownies and cookies. Then I would like an ice cream machine to make lots of ice cream.  
Sincerely,  
Charleigh Yates

Dear Santa,  
I would like for Christmas a 3DS Nintendo and an iPod Touch. Thank you so much for being so good and giving. I will write to you again next year. Thank you.  
Love,  
Nia Thomas  
P.S. Thank you Santa. Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,  
What I would like for Christmas is an iPad Mini, Halo 4, Wii U, and Call of Duty 2.  
Love,  
Broc Bridges

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas this year I would like a phone, a four-wheeler, an iPod, and iPad, an X-Box 360, a toy car, an Angry Bird game, an RC helicopter, and lots more toys.  
Sincerely,  
Hunter Woods

Dear Santa,  
Hay, I want some brand new headphones called the Dr. Dre Beats and that the only big thing I want and some shoes and clothes and shoes.  
Love,  
Jamya Clay  
P.S. And your cookies will be out.

Dear Santa,  
I have been a really good boy his year. For Christmas I want Halo 4, iPad, iPod, Angry Birds, lap top, wrestle buddy, Science kit, iPhone 4, and a magic kit.  
Love,  
Gavin Burnes  
P.S. Don't forget about my family.

Dear Santa,  
I would like an iPad with a UK cover, bike, NBA 2K13, NFL 13, and some UK headphones, and a Kindle Fire HD.  
Love,  
Tyler Love  
P.S. I've been a really good boy this year.

Dear Santa,  
I want Madden NFL 13, NBA 2K13, Saint Row 3, Assassin Creed 3, WiiU, iPhone, iPad, tablet, Black Ops 2, X-Box 360, 100-foot helicopter, PSP, Battlefield 3, and MW3.  
Sincerely,  
Deivyn Turner

Dear Santa,  
I would like for Christmas is a Razer scooter, iPad, iPod, X-Box 360 Kinect, laptop, computer, Kindle Fire and a girlfriend.  
Sincerely,  
Amire Hobbs

Dear Santa,  
I have been a really good boy this year. For Christmas I want a Kindle Fire, iPhone 5, X-Box 360, and an iPad mini.  
Sincerely,  
Issac Cornett

Dear Santa,  
Can I please have a few toy horses, and a touch screen, and horse collectables, a 3DS, a MP3, a new puppy, a horse poster, a stuffed hose, and some headphones.  
Love,  
Destiny Wiley  
P.S. Merry Christmas, and can you name the puppy?

Dear Santa,  
I have been a really good boy this year. For Christmas I want an X-Box 360, a Wii U, a 3DSXL, a Lego set, a set of Pokémon cards, a football, and a trampoline.  
Sincerely,  
Blake Edwards

Dear Santa,  
I have been good all year and I want some Snow Troopers from Star Wars, and an X-Box 360, two wireless remotes and Halo Reach game, Assassin Creed 2, left for dead.  
Sincerely,  
Ian Lucy

Dear Santa,  
I would like and iPad Mini, Wii U, Polaris Razer that u can drive, four seated and four will drive, a

bike, NBA 2K13, slip on boots, tie boots, and a Kindel Fire. I have been a very good boy this year. Merry Christmas.  
Sincerely,  
Hayden Murphy

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year so I want Assassin Creed 3, Madden 13, a 3.5 channel helicopter, NCAA 13, iPod touch, Black Ops 2, MW 3, Battlefield 3, Wii U with Lego City.  
Sincerely,  
Greyson Grissom

Dear Santa,  
You are so cool! How do you go to all those houses in 1 night? I've been a very good girl. My elf will tell you everything. I would like a skateboard, a basketball, Jennifire Long Dragon from Monster High, the Monster High Movie, the Monster High Wii game, the Monster High Nintendo game, a Bible, some books, clothes, a soccer ball, a lot of Star Wars stuff, Legos, and a football. Don't forget Malgusour dog, Calix, Caisley, Mom, and Dad.  
Love,  
Callie E Coulson

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year so for Christmas I want Call of Duty Black Ops 2, Assassin Creed 3, jeans, remote control car, Madden NFL 2013, Battlefield 3, NY Giants gear, Wii and a lot of Microsoft points.  
Sincerely,  
Mason Russom

Dear Santa,  
I know you're busy in the North Pole and I don't want to bother you, but I just want to tell you all I want for Christmas is to spend Christmas with my mom.  
Sincerely,  
Hailee Edgin

The following Letters to Santa were written by the Fourth Grade students in Mrs. Brenda King's class at Fulton County Elementary School:

Dear Santa,  
My name is Baden Johnson. I am ten years old. I am in 4<sup>th</sup> grade.  
You are so nice to me because u got me what I wanted last year. May u bring me haul reach 4, calla duty black opts two, Maney.  
Thank you for all the stuff u got me hope yall are all right I will have cookies and milk.  
Thank you,  
Baden Johnson

Dear Santa,  
I have a lot of cute stuff and a lot of cute lights and I love my pretty lights and I wanted a outfit and I wanted some pretty stuff. and I say how are you an I ask for something pretty.  
Love,  
Gracie Lambert

Dear Santa,  
My name is Pracasiah I am student at Fulton County Schools I am in 4<sup>th</sup> grade I am 10 yeas old. thank you for being nice to me last year you gave me a lunch box and draw doddle and This year I want a iPod and DSi and iPad thank you  
Love  
**Pracasiah**

Dear Santa,  
How are you? May I have the Mario and Sonic at the winter Olympic games. And the Lego monster fighters toy with the werewolf on it. And the Master Xandred toy from Power Rangers Samurai. And a baby German Shepard dog. And a Silver the hedgehog toy. And last a Robot clone.  
From,  
Corey Smith II

Dear Santa,  
My name is Camron. I am 4 years old in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. How are you doing. How are your rainder doing. You were nice last year. Thank you for my bb gun. I asked for last Christmas.  
Please this year I would really like a electric shooder and call of duty four. My isters want a doll. And what my Nany wants is love.  
Thank you for my great Christmas this year  
From,  
**Camron**

Dear Santa,  
My name is Carlos Barrientos. I am 10 years old in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. You were so nice to me last year. Thank you so much for the MP3 I asked for last Christmas. This year I would really appreciate it if you could bring me a iPod touch, a iPad, a PSPvita, a X-Box 360 with the game Call of duty 4. If you bring me the thing I want. PSI would rely like to see your rainder.  
Your friend,  
Carlos Barrientos

Dear Santa,  
My name is Yolanda Cortez. I am 9 years old. I am in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Santa I love you so much. I thank you so much for things.  
Santa this is what I wan't for Christmas is will you please get me a phone, please get me a iPod, please get me a pare of Bobs.

Santa that is all I wan't for Christmas.  
Thank you,  
Yolanda Cortez

Dear Santa,  
My name is Josh Cole. I am 10 years old. I am in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. I want an iPad, a fowiller. I want the piats of the care of ben. I wont a trapaline. I want to thank you what you gave me last year and oh I hope your reindeers are okay and tell Mrs. Clause I said hey. Please Santa please. Thank you Santa I love you Santa thank you for coming to my house. I like your reindeers ok I forgot can I be your helper.  
Love,  
Josh Cole

Dear Santa,  
Hi my name is Chloe Rangel. I'm in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. I'm 9 years old. Thank you for all my stuff last year. I would like a new iPod case, Legos, and G.G. Doll. I know already you will bring good stuff this year. Thank you.  
Sencerly,  
Chloe Rangel

Dear Santa,  
My name is Brooke Chambers. I am 9 years old and in the fourth grade. Thank you so much for the big and little presents you have gotten me every year.  
This year I would like for you to bring me the game of life and monopoly millinaia and some nice basketball shoes and a shelf elf the only thing that I don't won't is girly girly stuff. I won't what you and your elf's and Mrs. Claws to have whatever else you won't me to have.  
Thank youf or what your are getting me presents. Tell the elf's and Mrs. Claws and tell the reindeer I said hi. I will keep my shelf elf neat. I won't let nobody have her. I will keep her and sleep I will sleep with her. Please Santa will you get me all of this stuff. Keep feeding the reindeer and you and Mrs. Claws and your elf's so yall can deliver presents.  
Love,  
Brooke Chambers

Dear Santa,  
My name is Mia Kathryn Amberg. I am 10 years old and in 4<sup>th</sup> grade.  
Thank you for my iPhone 4s and my hunting clothes you got me last year. I loved them both. And all of the other stuff you got me last year. And I also loved my elf you got me this year. I named him Zane. He gets into a bunch of stuff and he is really funny. I wish he could play games with me thow.  
This year I would really appreciate it if you get me a Wii or a Wii U, a life proof case, maybe some beats, and a blue North Face jacket. I know I am asking for a lot, but I will be thankful for whatever you get me.  
Take Care!  
Your friend,  
Mia Kathryn Amberg

Dear Santa,  
My name is Tanner Williams. I am 9 almost 10 years old in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Thank you for the Legos and X-Box I got for Christmas last year.  
I would really appreciate it if you would bring me a Nerf gun, a water gun, a pack of water balloons, and a pool. Thank you for whatever you are bringing me.  
Your friend,  
Tanner Williams

Dear Santa,  
My name is Kendrick Couch. I am 9 years old and I am in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Last year you gave two of my favrotie toys like my Electric Scooter and most of all a Ds and I just want to say Thank you.  
This year I would appreciate if you would please give me a iPod, a dirt bike, a game named Dragon Ball Tecknekic, a puppy, a Bonockalors, a toy airplane, a bank that counts money by it ownself, games, a 3ds, a spywatch, and last for all some headphones and thank you for al the things you did thank you.  
From,  
Kendrick Couch

Dear Santa,  
My name is Cameron Johnson. I am 9 years old and in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. You were son ice to me last year. Thank you so much for the Wii I asked for last Christmas.  
This year I would like a Hummor limmo with gold rims and an X-Box 360. If you can't make it that's ok But if you can just put it in the driveway But put the X-Box under the tree.  
I will put a lot of cookies on the plate under the tree.  
From,  
Cameron Johnson

Dear Santa,  
My name is Logan Johnson. I am in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. I am 9 years old. You were nice to me last year, thank you so much for my presents last Christmas.  
This Christmas I would appreciate if you a new drum set and a iPhone 4 and a White Tail doe and a Cabela's survival hunting game and a X-Box live and a camo sweat shirt and a winter Olimpic sonic game. Thank you for the toys you might

bring me I appreciate it.  
Siceraly,  
Logan Johnson

Dear Santa,  
My name is Remington Stewart. I am 9 years old and in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. You were so nice to me last year. Thank you so much for the camera I got last Christmas.  
This year I would really appreciate it if you could bring me a iPod touch, a small dirt bike, 4 arrows, John Deere tractor set, two toy bucks fighting and Cabela's dangerous hunts 2013, and a tractor Wii game. Thanks. PS. I forgot some things on my other list.  
Your friend,  
Remington Stewart

Dear Santa,  
My name is JaMya Pierce. I and 9 years old and I'm in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. You were so good to me last year. Thank you for the 3Ds and the purse and ect.  
This year for Christmas could you please bring me a iPhone 5, a iPad, a Nook, a puppy, and most of all to see my whole family.  
Santa when you get back to the North Pole can you tell the reindeer the elvs and Mrs. Clause I said Hello.  
Your friend,  
JaMya Pierce

Dear Santa,  
My name is Will Jackson. I am 9 years old and in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. You were nice to me last year for the DSI I asked for last Christmas.  
This year I would really appreciate it if you could bring me a Lego Star Wars, DS game, Lego police.  
I like the raindeer a treat for the raindeer.  
Love,  
Will Jackson

Dear Santa,  
My name is Suanna Grace Johnson. I am 10 years old. I'm in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. You were really nice to me last year. Thanks so much for what you got me last year.  
This year if you could bring a Samsung Galaxy 3, a electric Scooter 24 miles an hour and 35 horse power clothes that Mrs. Claus made just for me!!!, cute earrings, a white Christmas, and most of all I want to spend Christmas with my sister.  
Thanks for what your getting me. Make sure if there's anyone money left that mom gave you give some presents to unfortunate kids and under devolped kids.  
Your friend,  
Anna Grace Johnson

Dear Santa,  
My name is Wesley James Goodman. I am 2 years old. I have been as good as you can expect a 2 year old to be!! For Christmas I would like to have a Air Plane, a choo choo train, a Mickey Mouse farm toy and a farm tractor. I think my brother has already sent you a letter but he wants a telescope and an X-box 360. He is 7 years old.  
Best of luck on your journey around the world!!  
Love,  
Wesley Goodman

Dear Santa,  
My name is Lyla Burnette. I am 3 years old. Thanks for all the toys last year. Everyone says I've been good this year. I would like a huge teddy bear and a trampoline from u. Please don't forget my big brother Drew and all my cousins. I love u Santa!  
Lyla Burnette

Dear Santa,  
Hi, my name is Joshua Hobbs. I wanted to start off by saying I have been a good boy this year. I want a lot of toys this year but the most important thing I want is a stuffed Mickey Mouse. Also, please bring my brothers, sister, nieces, nephews, mom and dad something because they have also been good this year. Oh, I almost forgot please bring my dear sweet teachers Mrs. Pam and Mrs. Anna something too. They are the best teachers ever. I will leave you some milk and cookies.  
Love,  
Joshua Hobbs

Dear Santa,  
Hi! My name is Bradley, I am 8 years old this year. I have tried to be good, and have done really well in school. This year I would like a Tablet, a r/c car, and maybe some new DS games. I have really enjoyed having one of your elves in our house this year. He is starting to do some crazy things! We will miss him when he leaves us. I will leave you some cookies and milk under the tree. Thank you for my gifts last year.  
Love,  
Bradley Burkeen

Dear Santa,  
My name is Brayden I am 3 years old this year. I am good for a few minutes each day, so for that, I feel I should get a couple new toys. I would like a r/c backhoe, and basketball goal, and a new tractor. And anything else you may want to leave me. I will leave milk and cookies for you and carrots for your reindeer. Thanks for my gifts last year.  
Love,  
Brayden Burkeen



**GOOD FOOD** - Roger Barnes, Barbara Atwill, Mike Major, and Shane Perry enjoyed the good food and fellowship at Porter Insurance's Annual Open House on Friday, Dec. 14. (Photo by Carol Major)


Dear Santa,  
My name is Benteleigh. I am 2 years old. I am not nearly as mean as my brothers, so please bring me lots of new things. I would love a kitchen set, new baby doll, and maybe a new bed for my baby. Mom said that my brothers wrote you letters too, please disregard what they asked for. Trust me, they should only get underwear and socks!!! Thank you for my gifts last year.  
Love,  
Benteleigh Burkeen

Dear Santa,  
My name is McKenzie Russom and I am 3 years old. I have been a very good girl this year. This year for Christmas I would like you to bring me, Barbie's, Stompez, Candy Land Game, some clothes and lots of pretty shoes. Please bring Mason a Wii and Call of Duty Black Ops 2 for his X-Box 360. Thank you for my gifts last year.  
Love  
McKenzie Russom

Dear Santa,


I have been a super good boy this year. I would like to have a TV/DVD player for my room, anything Mickey Mouse you can find, and a bump & Jump to put in my den. Don't forget to bring Tank and Niko a treat please, they have been good too!  
I love you,  
Jackson Carlton

Dear Santa Claus:  
Can I please get a phone, some clothes, Just Dance 4 for my Wii



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Magistrate, District 2



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**FRUIT TRAYS** - Nancy Sheehan, Chris Atwill and Larry Gardner along with other members of Cayce United Methodist Church recently prepared fruit trays and delivered to members of the church and friends around Cayce. (Photo by Barbara Atwill)



**CHRISTMAS SHOE TREE** - West Hickman Baptist Children choir members presented the Christmas Musical Christmas Shoe Tree on Sunday night. Here are some of the performers including Hayden Murphy, Jay Sipes, Kaitlyn Parker, Haley Hartman, Samantha McClure, Lindy Sipes, Cameron McNeill, Carson Parker and many more. They will perform again on Thursday night, Dec. 20 at 7 p.m. in the gymnasium of the Fulton County Elementary/Middle School. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

# Season's Greetings



Front, J.L. Atwill and "Cookie"; back row, l-r, Kayla Mullis, Robbie Woods, Sheriff Robert "Bobby" Hopper, Sr., Danny Zickefoose, and John Amberg

*We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season*

**Fulton County Sheriff Bobby Hopper and Staff**



**MOST PRECIOUS** - (At left) These three (l to r) Ryan Prehoda, Emelia Wheeler, and Danyelle Hoffman from the Pre-School Choir at West Hickman Baptist Church filled the roles of Joseph, Mary and an Angel. The entire cast was as cute as can be on Sunday night, Dec. 16. The presentation of a Christmas Shoe Tree followed their performance. You can see it on Thursday, Dec. 20 at Fulton County Elementary/Middle School at 7 p.m. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

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background down and made mommy sweat trying to keep me still, but enough of that. If I keep telling you all the mean things I did I won't get nothing.

I love to ride tractors with Poppa and Bubba, so any kind of tractors will be ok. Well you better bring Case International because my Bubba hates John Deere. I also like guitars. My big sister, Makenna has tried to be good. Please bring her a kitchen set. She has been begging Daddy for it and to be honest she is driving me nuts. My little sister Emma has had a rough year being sick. Please bring her something extra special. She deserves it after all she's been through and is still going through. My big sister, Juanita is nice sometimes. She wants a saddle for her horse. My big brother, Louie likes tractors, and my sister-in-law Brittany, bring her something.

Please remember Mommy and Daddy, Nana and Papaw, Cathy, Nana, Poppa and my Grandma in the nursing home. We will leave you milk and cookies. Daddy says you like oatmeal cookies, but I know those are his favorite so you better hurry, he might eat them before you get here.

Love,  
Noah Kilpatrick

Dear Santa,  
Hi. My name is Emma Grace Kilpatrick and I am 15 months old. I have been pretty good this year. I have had a hard time. First I was born in the car then when I was four months old, I got bacterial meningitis and spent 22 days in Vanderbilt Children's Hospital, and now I have hearing problems because of it.

I like anything musical and anything with bright colors. Please remember my Daddy, he acts so silly to me and Momma, she never left the hospital for the whole 22 days. Also my big sisters, Makenna, she is worried about me. Please bring her something and Noah he tries to be good, bring him a tractor. Also remember Louie, Juanita, Brittany, Nana, Papaw, Cathy, Nana, Poppa and my grandma in the nursing home. We will leave you milk and cookies but hurry because Daddy loves oatmeal cookies.

Love,  
Emma Kilpatrick

# Season's greetings

from the



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*We Wish Our Customers A Very Merry Christmas And A Happy New Year*




# Christmas Greetings



## Happy Holiday



Bundles of presents, sweet aromas of festive treats, the sight of the glowing tree, the sparkle in their eyes on Christmas morning... it's Christmas time. May all the world be at peace.



The staff at Fulton County Detention Center would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We're proud to serve Fulton County

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**FCHS Class of 2013**  
From, Ms. Ellen Murphy